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Principal Position Open in Baltimore DI Charter School

The Baltimore Curriculum Project (BCP) operator of five conversion public charter schools in Baltimore, Maryland, is looking for a principal for their newest school, Frederick Elementary. The school will serve approximately 500 students, grades Pre-K-5 and is housed in a state-of-the-art new building and will utilize DI curriculum.

Frederick Elementary serves its neighborhood zone and receives support from BCP in program design, staffing, professional development, budget support, business management, partnership development and fundraising. BCP states, "The Principal we seek will be committed to and experienced in serving a diverse community with both strengths and challenges. This is a significant opportunity for a talented educator to make a significant contribution to the city and its students."

For full job details, visit [http://www.baltimorecp.org/employment.html](http://www.baltimorecp.org/employment.html).

DI Author Karen Davis Passes

We are sorry to report that Karen Davis passed away on Monday, November 7. Karen was a DI co-author, trainer and coach. She was a co-author on the Horizons Reading program, Reasoning and Writing, Reading Mastery Signature Edition, and Your World of Facts. She and her husband, Gary Davis, longtime National Coordinator for NIFDI, were Project Managers of the Providence, Rhode Island DI site during Project Follow Through. Karen retired from teaching elementary school several years ago and enjoyed spending time with her children and grandchildren.

Senior DI author Siegfried Engelmann comments. "I remember Karen as a star teacher, trainer, and co-author of four instructional programs. Most important she was a wonderful friend who exuded vitality and concern with saving kids from failure and bleak futures."

Karen will be missed greatly by those whose lives she touched, and we send our heartfelt condolences to her family. To read the Karen's obituary, [click here](http://www.baltimorecp.org/employment.html).
Clearance Items now Available in NIFDI Store!

NIFDI staff has been doing a bit of housecleaning and found several discontinued items that need to be cleared out. This means a savings for you. For a limited time, you can get copies of the NIFDI Sentence Copying Program (Slant or Block Style) for $5.00 per level. These older editions reference Reading Mastery Classic I and II, yet they are compatible with the current Reading Mastery Signature K and 1 programs. These blackline masters make ideal independent work. Click here and order your set today!

Consider Making a Charitable Donation to NIFDI

For nearly 20 years, the National Institute for Direct Instruction has supported schools’ efforts to give students the best opportunity for success and develop teachers' skills to utilize the finest tools for ensuring that success.

We would like to remind you that donations to NIFDI are tax-deductible. By making your charitable donation to NIFDI, a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization, you can help us impact the lives of more children.

You can even select the program area(s) you want your donation to support:
1) **Research** - Conducting, promoting and disseminating research on Direct Instruction and its implementation.
2) **Training and Coaching** - Providing on-site training and coaching to schools, as well as open-registration training events.
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