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Thursday, February 9, 2023

8:15AM ~ Thursday Keynote by Dr. Carol Lee ~

How the Science of Learning and Development offers a critical lens for interrogating our past and offering a vision for the possible now and into the future: The Opportunities of Reading

9:45 - 11:00 Session/Room	Presenters ~ Featured	Session Title
Th-A01/101B	Dr. Annalee Good & WPOP team	Teachers as Policy Advocates
Th-A02/102A	Dr. Lara Handsfield	Metapositional Awareness for Literacy Teaching: Attending to Power, Agency, and Identity
Th-A03/201B	Liz Kleinrock	Scaffolding Antibias and Antiracist Practices Through an Inquiry Lens
Th-A04/201D	Susan O'Connell	Math + Children's Literature: A Perfect Pairing (Grades K-2)
Th-A05/102E	Maya Payne Smart	Supporting Families As Literacy Partners
Th-A06/102D	Matt Renwick	Leading Like a C.O.A.C.H.: Five Strategies for Achieving Schoolwide Literacy Success
Th-A07/101E	Dr. Don Vu	Finding the Audacity of Equality in the Stories of Immigrants and Refugees
Th-A08/101D	Jeffrey Wilhelm	Fighting Fake News! Teaching learners to identify/process information pollution.
	Presenters	
Th-A09/103A	Nicole Aldworth, Janet Budney	Interactive Read Alouds: A Strategy Promoting Engagement and Participation, Highly Impacting Future Readers.
Th-A10/202D	Jami Collins, Michael Hartwell, David O'Conner	Indigenous Cultural Literacy with PBS
Th-A11/203B	Samantha Goldberg	Holocaust Education Through Literature
Th-A12/202E	Amitha Gone, Jacquelyn Hansen	Multimodality: Encompassing Our Past, Present and Future
Th-A13/202A	Children's Literature Committee	Children's Literature Committee Recommends
Th-A14/102B	Jennifer Laird, Kelly Ryder, Julie Jensen, Ronda Lee	The 90% Reading Goal
Th-A15/203A	Neva Moga, Celeste Ochonogor	Use Your Words: Writing Digitally to Inspire Hope for the Future
Th-A16/101A	Megan Schliesman, Merri Lindgren ~ CCBC	Great New Books for Middle and High School Classrooms
Th-A17/201E	Megen Smith, Sarah Zychowski, Meredith Pipp	For the Love of Reading: Teaching our Kids to Love Reading Through Relationships
Th-A18/201A	Amy Wabiszewski, Tom Knutson	Using STARI to Support EMLSS in the Adolescent Classroom
Th-A19/103B	Mona Zignego, Lisa Thom, Rachel Scherrer	Differentiated Instruction: Supporting Learner Agency

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Th-B01/102A	PANEL: Dr. Don Vu, Dr. Carol Lee, Dr. Paul Thomas, Dr. Annalee Good, Dr. Lara Handsfield	Creating Worlds of Possibility: Closing Our Opportunity Gaps Through Recognizing the Sciences of Literacy and Learning
Th-B02/201B	Liz Kleinrock	Scaffolding Antibias and Antiracist Practices Through an Inquiry Lens
Th-B03/102E	Maya Payne Smart	Supporting Families As Literacy Partners
Th-B04/101D	Jeffrey Wilhelm	EMPOWER YOUR TEACHING! Inquiry to motivate and deepen student learning!
	Presenters	
Th-B05/202D	Jami Collins, Michael Hartwell	Structuring Multi-Age Reading Buddies to Support English Language Learners
Th-B06/102B	Megan A. Graetz, Vanessa Lecy	Didn't I Just Teach That?
Th-B07/203B	Mary Ellen G. Graf	Differentiating Instruction Using TeachingBooks
Th-B08/103B	Dr. Stacy L. Gray, Dr. Amber Garbe	Developing Meaningful Text Sets to Advance Comprehension
Th-B09/202A	Rebecca G. Harper	Write Now and Write On
Th-B10/201D	Elizabeth J. Jorgensen	Building Students' Cultural Competence through Writing
Th-B11/202E	Teresa Kamps, Kristina Dempsey, Rita Ehlert	Our World, Our Wonders, Our Words
Th-B12/201E	Jennifer K. McCarty Plucker	Putting Students in the Driver Seat of Discovery: Inquiry in ELA
Th-B13/103A	Amy A. Pelle	Even High Schoolers Like to Hear a Story: how a couple of capes and a plastic sword can help with engagement
Th-B14/201A	Chris Peterson	Love and Logic 101: Taking the Stress out of Teaching
Th-B15/101A	Megan Schliesman, Merri Lindgren ~ CCBC	Great New Books for PreK-Grade 5 Classrooms
Th-B16/203A	Kim Stieber-White, Latricia Johnson	Language Flexibility and Sustaining Identity: Rethinking the Role of Standardized English in the Literacy and ELA Classroom
Th-B17/102D	Lauren M. Ulatowski, Angie Grisius	Engaging Secondary Readers

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Th-C01/201B	Louis V. Clark III	How to be An Indian in the 21st Century
Th-C02/101B	Dr. Annalee Good and WEPOP team	Teachers as Policy Advocates
Th-C03/102A	Dr. Lara Handsfield	Metapositional Awareness for Literacy Teaching: Attending to Power, Agency, and Identity
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Th-C06/102D	Matt Renwick	Leading Like a C.O.A.C.H.: Five Strategies for Achieving Schoolwide Literacy Success
Th-C07/202D	John Schu	John Schu's Best-Loved Books of 2022 and 2023 (K-6)
Th-C08/103A	Dr. Paul Thomas	Banning Books Is Un-American
Th-C09/101E	Dr. Don Vu	Life, Literacy, and the Pursuit of Happiness: Creating a Culture of Reading for All
Th-C10/101D	Jeffrey Wilhelm	Diving Deep into Fiction and Nonfiction Texts with Readers Rules of Notice
	Presenters	
Th-C11/102B	Berit Gordon	Independent Readers and Writers: How to Shift the Balance so Students are Working (Happily) as Hard as You Are
Th-C12/202A	Rebecca Harper	Pardon the Interruption: We're Using ESPN to Teach Writing
Th-C13/203A	Michael Hartwell, Katie Van Haren	Engaging Students With Local & Culturally Relevant Non Fiction: An Introduction to PBS Wisconsin Education's Newly Updated Wisconsin Biographies
Th-C14/203B	Sherrill Knezel	Sketchnoting: Using Listening & Drawing to Honor the Past & Dream the Future
Th-C15/201A	Jane McMahon, Rita Ehlert, Teresa Kamps	Modeling the Masters: Using mentor texts to encourage, engage and inspire middle and high school writers
Th-C16/101A	Takisha Moncrief, Sidney Moncrief	Literacy is Life... Be a Game Changer!
Th-C17/203C	Britanny Thew, Rita Chen, Deanna Maynard, Linda Bruun, Dr. Clair Fedderly, Missy Herek,	Landing Your Dream Education Position: You've Got Questions, We've Got Experts to Answer
Th-C18/202E	Randi Wagner, Deb Bowling, Steve Vande Zande	Accelerating Learning Through Visual Thinking Strategy and Non-Fiction Poetry
Th-C19/201E	Liza Wiemer	Holocaust Education: Connecting the Past to the Present through Literature
Th-C20/103B	Mona Zignego, Lisa Thom, Rachel Scherrer	New to Coaching? We've Got You Covered!

Friday, February 10, 2023

8:15AM ~ Friday Keynote by Dr. Decoteau Irby~
Reading and Writing Toward a More Racially Just Future

9:45 - 11:00 Session/Room	Presenters ~ Featured	Session Title
Fr-A01/101E	Sara K. Ahmed	Being the Change: Leveraging Identity and Social Comprehension in The Classroom
Fr-A02/102A	Dr. Nancy Anderson	Developing Literacy Learning Expertise: It's About People Not Programs
Fr-A03/201B	Katherine Bomer	Revision = Play + Purpose: Teaching Young Writers the Joys of Re-seeing Writing to Make it Even Better.
Fr-A04/103B	Louis V. Clark III	How to be An Indian in the 21st Century
Fr-A05/201D	Brian Kissel	Reading, Writing, and Talking about Banned Books: Grades K-2
Fr-A06/102D	Donalyn Miller, Colby Sharp	Building, Cultivating, and Managing a Classroom Library
Fr-A07/103A	Lindsey Moses	Effective Literacy Scaffolds for Multilingual Learners
Fr-A08/101B	John Schu	The Gift of Story: Exploring the Affective Side of the Reading Life
Fr-A09/201E	Dr. Antony Smith	Mathematizing Children's Literature: Sparking Connections, Joy, and Wonder Through Read-Alouds and Discussion
Fr-A10/102E	Dr. Paul Thomas	The "Science of Reading" Multiverse
Fr-A11/102B	Jeffery Williams	Prompting: Responsive Teaching
	Presenters	
Fr-A12/202B	Kevin Anderson, Ryan King	Using Text for Authentic Purposes: Literacy Learning in Phenomenon-Based Science
Fr-A13/201A	Amy Davis	Engaging Students in Teacher Read Alouds
Fr-A14/203A	Rachel DeRosa, Teresa Azoff	The Global Vibe: Tying Together Literacy, Neuroplasticity and Humanity
Fr-A15/202A	Berit Gordon	Say Yes to Joy, No to Burnout
Fr-A16/203B	Michael Hartwell, Mike Scoville	Gamers and Non-Gamers Unite! : Experience The Educational Adventure of Award-Winning PBS Wisconsin Video Games
Fr-A17/101D	Carol Jago	The Book in Question: Why reading is in crisis ... and how we can turn this around
Fr-A18/202E	Darla Schroeder, Rhonda Wemette, Patricia Meurer, Renee Conroy	Adventures in Bookland: Building a Community of Readers
Fr-A19/101A	Molly J. Thielen	Play-Based Writing: A Case for Reintegrating Play into the Primary Classroom
Fr-A20/202D	Dr. Pam Whitfield	SMART: Stress Management and Resiliency Training

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Fr-B01/101E	Sara K. Ahmed	When the World Hands you a Curriculum
Fr-B02/102A	Dr. Nancy Anderson	Systematic Teaching: Letters, Sounds, and Words
Fr-B03/202B	Katherine Bomer	Writing Workshop Essentials: Are We Truly Giving Our Students What All Writers Need: Time, Choice, and Response?
Fr-B04/201B	Trevor Bryan	The Art of Comprehension
Fr-B05/201D	Brian Kissel	Reading, Writing, and Talking about Banned Books: Grades 3-5
Fr-B06/102D	Donalyn Miller	Navigating Slumps in Reading Motivation
Fr-B07/103A	Lindsey Moses	Strategies for Using Translanguaging Practices to Support Authentic Multilingual Language and Literacy Experiences: Building Bilingual Identities con Nuevos Amigos
Fr-B08/103B	Dr. Frank Serafini	What Still Matters? Looking Back to Move Forward
Fr-B09/102E	Colby Sharp	Awesometastic New Books
Fr-B10/201E	Dr. Antony Smith	Mathematizing Children's Literature: Sparking Connections, Joy, and Wonder Through Read-Alouds and Discussion
Fr-B11/102B	Jeffery Williams	The Important Role of Executive Functions in Becoming Literate

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Fr-B12/101D	Kathryn Champeau, Debra Zarling	Science of Reading: Sorting Fact from Fiction
Fr-B13/202A	Berit Gordon	Get to a Well-Managed Classroom While Avoiding "Management"
Fr-B14/101B	Kurt Griesemer, Jordan Ciesielczyk-Gibson	Learning from Objects: Incorporating Objects into your Literacy Block
Fr-B15/203A	Jacob Hollnagel	Advancing Literacy through Self-Guided Professional Growth: Using EE to Improve Practice, Student Outcomes, and School Culture
Fr-B16/203B	Laurie Kopp, Stacy Ristau	Building Community - Integrating Google Meet sessions with Reading, Writing and Watercolors
Fr-B17/101A	Kristy Piebenga	Beyond the Books: Using Children's Literature to Teach the Whole Child
Fr-B18/202E	Gayle Rosengren, Amy Laundrie	A Kaleidoscope of Time and Story
Fr-B19/202D	Stephanie Twombly, Denise Engstrom	Literacy and Mathematics Intertwined
Fr-B20/201A	Mona Zignego, Lisa Thom, Rachel Scherrer	Coaching Tips and Tricks

2:00- 3:15 Session/Room	Presenters ~ Featured	Session Title
Fr-C01/102A	Panel: Dr. Nancy Anderson, Dr. Decoteau Irby, Sara K. Ahmed, Nawal Qarooni	The Essentials of Equity: Becoming Equity Literate Educators
Fr-C02/103A	Phil Bildner	We Are Not Controversial; We Are Not Inappropriate
Fr-C03/202B	Katherine Bomer	No More Food Formulas For Writing! Reading and Writing Real Essays (Not a Hamburger or Oreo in Sight)
Fr-C04/201B	Trevor Bryan	Story Groove: Help Students Comprehend and Craft Totally Gnarly Narratives
Fr-C05/203A	Dr. Carla Espana, Dr. Luz Herrera	Growing Critical Bilingual Literacies En Comunidad
Fr-C06/201A	Ralph Fletcher	How Photography Can Enhance the Teaching of Writing
Fr-C07/201D	Brian Kissel	Reading, Writing, and Talking about Banned Books: Grades 3-5
Fr-C08/102D	Donalyn Miller	Books for a Better World
Fr-C09/103B	Dr. Frank Serafini	Developing a Critical Multimodal Literacies Framework
Fr-C10/102B	Jeffery Williams	The Important Role of Executive Functions in Becoming Literate
Fr-C11/101D	Janet Wong	Hop to It! Take a Brain Break with Poetry: A Presentation by Janet Wong
	Presenters	
Fr-C12/201E	Sara Cruz, Liznette Ortiz	Cultivating Collaboration-Home Visits for Culturally Responsive Teaching
Fr-C13/101A	Kari Jaeckel-Rodriguez, Nicole Hochholzer	Expanding Student Success: A Secondary / Post-Secondary Reading Collaboration
Fr-C14/203B	Kara Pranikoff	Raising Student Voices: Provoking student thought and action in the classroom
Fr-C15/202D	Britanny Thew, Rita Chen ~ New and Preservice Teacher Committee	Expert Teacher, Not Technician
Fr-C16/202A	Mallory A. Umar, Kim Stieber-White	Mirror Mirror: Identity-Affirming Literature in the K-8 Classroom
Fr-C17/101B	Micki Uppena	Empowering Students as Literacy Leaders: Forming a Student Book Budget Team
Fr-C18/202E	Emily C. Zoeller, Tamara Mouw	What does it mean to be an anti-racist reading teacher?



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Saturday, February 11, 2023

8:15AM ~ Saturday Keynote by Nawal Qarooni ~

Exalting Families: Elevating Authentic Traditions to Collectively Grow Our Children

9:45-11:00 Session/Room	Presenters ~ Featured	Session Title
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Sat-A02/103B	Phil Bildner	The Power of Our Words
Sat-A03/101D	Trevor Bryan	Story Groove: Help Students Comprehend and Craft Totally Gnarly Narratives
Sat-A04/101E	Dr. Carla Espana, Dr. Luz Herrera	Teaching Poetry En Comunidad: Poetry as Teaching, Healing, and Resistance
Sat-A05/101A	Ralph Fletcher	Vision and Author
Sat-A06/102A	Juana Martinez Neal	Let's Look Closer at "Fry Bread", "Tomatoes for Neela" and "La Princesa and the Pea"
Sat-A07/102B	Mitali Perkins	Steeped in Stories: The Power of a Multi-Storied Child
Sat-A08/102D	Nawal Qarooni, Cornelius Minor	Kitchen Stories: Carving Spaces for Student Choice and Voice
Sat-A09/102E	Janet Wong	More JOY! Infusing Your Daily Teaching with Happiness through Poetry: A Presentation by Janet Wong

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Sat-B02/101A	Ralph Fletcher	How Photography Can Enhance the Teaching of Writing
Sat-B03/102A	Juana Martinez Neal	Portraits of Families and Friends from "Alma", "Zonia", "A Perfect Fit" and "I Don't Care"
Sat-B04/102B	Mitali Perkins	Steeped in Stories: The Power of a Multi-Storied Child
Sat-B05/102D	Nawal Qarooni, Cornelius Minor	Developing Our Tools to Reimagine Classrooms, Sustain And Thrive
Sat-B06/102E	Janet Wong	5 Tips for Becoming the Best Writer You Can Be: A Presentation by Janet Wong
	Presenters	
Sat-B07/101B	Katie Kelly	Using Children's Literature to Explore Counter Narratives Over Time
Sat-B08/101D	Kate M. Van Haren, Michael Hartwell	Evaluate, Create, ACT! Building Media Literacy Skills in the Classroom

Author Signings

<i>Thursday ~ Exhibit Hall</i>	<i>Friday ~ Exhibit Hall</i>	<i>Saturday ~ Palm Garden</i>
<p>3:30 – 4:00</p> <p>Maya Payne</p> <p>John Schu</p> <p>Don Vu</p> <p>Louis V. Clark III</p> <p>Liza Wiemer</p>	<p>3:30 – 4:00</p> <p>Phil Bildner</p> <p>Ralph Fletcher</p> <p>Decoteau Irby</p> <p>Janet Wong</p>	<p>12:30 – 1:00</p> <p>Phil Bildner</p> <p>Ralph Fletcher</p> <p>Juana Martinez-Neal</p> <p>Mitali Perkins</p> <p>Janet Wong</p>

Menus

<i>Thursday Lunch</i>	<i>Friday Lunch</i>	<i>Saturday Breakfast</i>
12:30 pm – 1:45 pm 6TH STREET SMOKEHOUSE TABLE Backyard Garden Salad Mostly Corn Pudding Blistered Green Beans Smoked Cheddar Macaroni Shaved BBQ Beef Brisket Pulled Pork Cracklin’ Cream Puffs	12:30 pm – 1:45 pm 3RD WARD ITALIAN TABLE Saffron Orzo Pasta Salad Baby Kale Caesar Antipasti Assorti Chianti Braised Beef Tips Pan-seared Tuscan Chicken Vesuvio Potato Wedges Italian Pastries	7:30 am EASTERN RIDGE Racine Kringle Fruit Salad Smashed Potato Breakfast Hash Scrambled Cage-free Egg Bar Applewood Smoked Bacon All-Natural Squeezed Orange & Cranberry Juices Signature Reserve Coffee and Teas

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