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Literacy Conference 2017

Founders Hall, Humboldt State University

Best Literacy Practices Through Research-Based Strategies

8:30-8:55	Green & Gold	Welcome! Check- in, Late Registration, Coffee	
9:00-10:20	FH 235	Keynote: <i>Teachers, Mindset, Motivation and Mastery Research Translated to K-12 Practices</i>	Amy K. Conley, Fortuna High School
10:20-10:35		<i>Break</i>	
10:35- 11:50	FH 177	May the Parents Be With You: Engaging the Force of Your Families (K-8)	Terry Gordon, Blue Lake Elem.
	FH 178	Unbook Club: Podcasts for Literacy, Autonomy, & Engagement (5-12)	Hart Ford, Redwood Montessori
11:50-12:30		<i>Lunch</i>	
12:35- 1:50	FH 177	Teaching for Transfer: Building Literacy Knowledge and Grit (6-12)	Nicolette Amann, HSU
	FH 178	Exploring Genre and the Craft of Writing for K - 3 Teachers	Stefanie Watson, Pacific Union
	FH 179	Reflective Practice in the Classroom (K-8)	MaryAnn Loch, Pacific Union
1:50-2:05		<i>Break</i>	
2:05-3:20	FH 177	Expanding Math Minds Through Academic Vocabulary Development (K-8)	Gwen Neu, Maple Creek Elem.
	FH 178	Fact vs Fake: Strategies for Helping Students Analyze Information in the Media (K-12)	Anne Hartline, HSU
3:20-3:35		<i>Break</i>	
3:35- 4:30	Green & Gold	Closing General Session, Unit Registration, Book Raffle	RWP Leaders

Session Descriptions

Keynote: Amy will speak about positive psychology, mastery, purpose, connection, motivation and how we can connect them to our classrooms.

May the Parents Be With You: Engaging the Force of Your Families (K-8): Parents don't always know how to help their child with school. During this session, participants will develop a toolkit to improve their own home-school connections. This will help teachers create more productive and meaningful relationships with both students and their parents, and ultimately engage the parents in their students education.

Unbook Club: Podcasts for Literacy, Autonomy, & Engagement (5-12): Podcasts are an increasingly popular platform for engaging with stories, catching up on current news, and "oh-aahing" at scientific breakthroughs. Educators can bring podcasts into classrooms as captivating "texts" that reinforce Common Core Standards and inspire high-quality, student-centered writing. In this workshop, participants will learn how to develop literacy skills through listening and - maybe! - implement Unbook Clubs for student-selected podcasts.

Teaching for Transfer: Building Literacy Knowledge and Grit (6-12): This session will explore the ways that teaching growth mindset, habits of mind, literacy knowledge, and what scholars call "threshold concepts in writing studies" can prepare students to make informed, effective choices in a variety of rhetorical situations both in school as well as in their personal and professional lives.

Exploring Genre and the Craft of Writing, K - 3 Teachers: In this hands-on session, participants will explore genre writing using picture books. Time will be spent reading books and creating writing lessons for your classroom.

Reflective Practice in the Classroom (K-8): This session focuses on powerful methods, activities and strategies that foster deep critical thinking and synthesis through reflective practice. There are so many fun activities for students to experience. Come and get "meta" and bring back some awesome takeaways for your students.

Expanding Math Minds Through Academic Vocabulary Development: (K-8) Participants will engage in a variety of activities designed to model a research-based lesson sequence for explicit instruction of Tier 2 academic vocabulary. The activities will help lead to understand what Tier 2 vocabulary is, how to find those words to target, and how to use them in math and/or language arts lessons.

Fact vs Fake: Strategies for Helping Students Analyze Information in the Media: (K-12) We are all aware of the vast array of information sources, both factual and otherwise, readily available on the internet. In this session, participants will read about and discuss techniques they can use with students to sift through information, identify bias, and find the facts.