

# Title 1 Dissemination Project, Inc.

Dear Members of the Title 1 Community:

For the 35<sup>th</sup> year the Title 1 Dissemination Project, Inc. will sponsor the Annual Title 1 Conference at the Best Western Royal Plaza in Marlborough on March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012. This year we are pleased to have Dr. Timothy Rasinski, John Collins, Sally Grimes, Chris Lyons, and other nationally recognized speakers as well as experts in leadership, oral language, assessment, literacy, numeracy, motivation, summer regression, and many other topics of interest to your administrators, teachers, paraprofessionals and parents. The attached tentative schedule will give you an idea of the scope of topics. Additional sessions are in the process of being confirmed and will be listed on our web site.

The price for the conference is one of the most cost effective professional development opportunities available. Member districts can send attendees for \$40/day and the cost for non-member districts is only \$50/day. If cost is an issue, please contact the Project and we will work with you to make certain that your staff will have the opportunity to attend. Registration can also be paid via credit card.

Parental involvement is strongly encouraged. Parents of both member and non-member districts are invited to attend one or both days for free (registration required). The Support Parent Involvement Now (SPIN) organization will sponsor a special workshop and luncheon on Tuesday.

The Educational Sales Association of New England (ESANE) will showcase vendor materials on Tuesday with exclusive offers to conference attendees.



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## 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Title 1 Conference – Tentative Agenda

### Monday March 5

From Phonics to Fluency – Dr. Timothy Razinski – Kent State University

Developing Writers – Jerry Morris – Collins Education Associates

Number Sense and Computation – Rob Nickerson – Origo Math

Activities and Games to Promote Literacy – Vicki Netzer – Westfield Public Schools

Social/Emotional Learning Strategies – Fern Shamis – Lesson One

MCAS Math – Improving Open Response Answers – Bill Atwood – Collins Educational Associates

Co-Teaching for Improving Instruction – Dr. Judy DeLucia - Seaside Educational Consultants

Building Literacy & Math Skills – Tina Valentine – Responsive Classroom

Pocket Math – Eva Kelly – Fitchburg Public Schools

Tutoring for Reading Achievement – Sue Getty & Dr. Kathleen Ryan – Hellenic College

Reading Strategy Instruction – Holly Coates – Dracut Public Schools

Developing Distributed Leadership – Dr. Harriett Bessette – Kennesaw State University

Professional Learning Communities – Jen Spencer - Winthrop Public Schools

Using Praise to Enhance Student Achievement – Dr. Margaret Adams – Malden Public Schools

Nurturing Student Response to Literature – Dr. Kathleen Ryan – Hellenic College

Using Technology to enhance Parent Involvement – Pat Fish – Malden Public Schools

Effective Parent Engagement – Margaret O’Hare – Parent Involvement Resource Center

Combatting Summer Regression – Stu Peskin – Title 1 Dissemination Project

Developing Computational Skills – Susan Getty – Hellenic College

Linking Assessment and Planning – Clare Landrigan – Teachers for Teachers

Grammar and Usage – Betty Luz – Billerica Public Schools

Free Attendance for Parents Both days

## Tuesday March 6

Parent Involvement Workshop \_ Support Parent Involvement Now (SPIN)  
A Toolbox for Fixing Reading Problems – Sally Grimes – Grimes Reading Institute  
Summary Writing – John Collins – Collins Educational Associates  
Boosting Comprehension Through Questioning – Vivian Bernstein – Abrams Learning Trends  
Writing Process Instruction – Patricia O’Neill – Zaner-Bloser  
Trait Model – Improving Writing - Tami Williams - Scholastic  
Putting Research Into Action – Mark Foran – Wilson Language Training  
The Power of Teacher Read-Alouds – Anne O’Mara – Zaner-Bloser  
Teaching Vocabulary – Dr. Elissa Arndt – Keys to Literacy  
Leadership and Supervision – Dr, Judy DeLucia – Seaside Educational Consultants  
Improving Comprehension and Engagement – Jennifer Thompson – Unity, NH Public Schools  
The Whole Book Approach – Rosemary Agoglia – Eric Carle Museum  
Effective Parent Engagement - Margaret O’Hare – Parent Involvement Resource Center  
Inspiring Teachers Understanding of Math – Rob Nickerson – Origo math  
RTI in Mathematics – Chris Lyons – STEPS Professional Development  
Fulfilling the Math Common Core – William Kendall – Braintree Public Schools  
Technology and the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learner – Arturo Forrest – Smith Leadership Academy  
Teaching At-Risk Students – Dr. Martin Henley – Westfield State University  
Motivating the Reluctant Learner – Stu Peskin – Title 1 Dissemination Project  
Teaching Comprehension – Dr. Elissa Arndt – Keys to Literacy  
Activities and Games to Promote Literacy – Vicki Netzer – Westfield Public Schools  
Foundations for Parent Engagement – Margaret O’Hare – Parent Involvement Resource Center  
MCAS Math – Cate O’Brien – Natick Public Schools  
Responding to Informational Text – Mary Beth Keane – Billerica Public Schools

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## 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Title I Conference Registration Form

March 5 & 6, 2012, Best Western Royal Plaza Marlborough

Project Member:	Circle YES or NO
School District:	
Contact Person:	
Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Phone:	
Email:	

<u>Attendees:</u>	<u>Days Attending</u> (Check all that apply)	
	Mon, 3/5/12	Tues, 3/6/12

	Number		Cost	Total Cost
<u>Number of Single Day Conference Attendees:</u>	x			=
<u>Number of Two Day Conference Attendees:</u>	x			=
<u>Number of Parents Attending:</u>	x			=
<u>Total Number and Costs:</u>	x			=

Purchase Order #: \_\_\_\_\_ Check: \_\_\_\_\_

CC# \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Code (3 or 4 digits) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Visa, MC, Amex Only)

Print Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## Conference Costs

### One Day Conference:

Project Member: \$40.00  
Non-Member: \$ 50.00

### Two Day Conference:

Project Member: \$80.00  
Non-Member: \$ 100.00

### Parents Attending:

FREE Attendance BUT - Registration REQUIRED

## Mail or Fax your Registration:

Conference registrations must be received by Title I Dissemination Project, Inc., using only the official forms (or photocopies thereof) in this packet. All changes must be made in writing.

### Mail or Fax to:

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Make Checks Payable to:  
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Refunds will be provided if a request is made in writing before March 2, 2012.  
Cancellations received after March 2nd will be charged at full value.

Questions?  
Call Judi Carriere at (781) 938-1388  
Or e-mail:  
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## Hotel Information

The Title I Dissemination Project, Inc. will not be accepting hotel requests nor organizing room assignments. Attendees are encouraged to make their own accommodations as soon as possible.

### Hotel Contact Information:

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