

# New Jersey Comprehensive Literacy Symposium

Join Scholastic Education leadership and some of our nation's preeminent practitioners, and authors for an interactive symposium to discuss transformative strategies for closing the achievement gap by using comprehensive literacy as a lever for equity. The inspiring speaker lineup will leave you with actionable ideas and insights to ensure all students succeed in school and in life.



## WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

**Greg Worrell**, President of Scholastic Education

## KEYNOTE SESSION:

### FROM STRIVING TO THRIVING

**Stephanie Harvey**, President of Stephanie Harvey Consulting and co-author of *From Striving to Thriving: How to Grow Confident, Capable Readers* (Scholastic)

Stephanie Harvey, world renown literacy expert and author of *From Striving to Thriving: Growing Confident and Capable Readers*, will demonstrate how to 'table the labels' and use detailed formative assessment to craft targeted, personalized instruction that enables striving reader to thrive.

## SCHOLASTIC COMPREHENSIVE LITERACY OVERVIEW

**Becky Bone**, National Director of Literacy Initiatives  
*Scholastic Comprehensive Literacy Overview*

National Literacy Consultant, Becky Bone will speak to why comprehensive literacy is essential to building the capacity of the whole child. Learn how a literacy action plan can springboard student achievement, and take away strategies to use in your schools and districts to support the next generation of independent readers, writers, and thinkers.

## CLOSING REMARKS

**David C. Banks**, President/CEO of the Eagle Academy Foundation and co-creator of *The Rising Voices Library* (Scholastic)

David Banks will close the Symposium with a powerful message around how commitment to positive representation, culturally responsive instruction, and student unification can change the scope of education across the country.

## MODERATED BY

**Dr. Karen Burke**, Senior Vice President of Scholastic Education

You will leave the event with insight and inspiration plus tools and ideas that you can immediately implement in your district. Thank you for your amazing work and we look forward to seeing you at the event!

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# About the Speakers

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**Steph Harvey** is the president of Stephanie Harvey Consulting. After fifteen years of public school teaching, both in regular education and special education classrooms, she worked for 12 years as a staff developer for the Denver based Public Education and Business Coalition. Mrs. Harvey works with educators, schools, and districts to implement progressive literacy practices. She is a regular presenter at literacy conferences around the country, including her own annual Reading is Thinking conference each summer. Mrs. Harvey is the co-author of *From Striving to Thriving: How to Grow Confident, Capable Readers* (Scholastic).



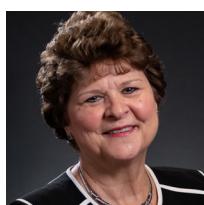
**David Banks** is the President and CEO of the Eagle Academy Foundation. He was the founding principal of the Eagle Academy for Young Men, the first in a network of innovative all-boys public schools in New York City. Scholastic has partnered with David C. Banks to curate collections of culturally relevant nonfiction, biographical, and fiction titles that highlight the stories of the most underrepresented literary protagonists in our classrooms: boys of color. By fostering a classroom community that supports positive representation and equity, we can help students of all backgrounds benefit from widening the scope of their world through books and exploration.



**Greg Worrell** oversees Scholastic Education, which partners with schools and districts to empower educators and to raise achievement for all students. In 2011 he launched Scholastic Family and Community Engagement (FACE), dedicated to creating programs and partnerships that support literacy development in classrooms, at home, in early childhood and after-school settings, during the summer, and through mentoring programs. Worrell is the recipient of the 2011 Upton Sinclair Award, which recognizes educational leaders who have gone above and beyond the call of duty to ensure that children around the globe succeed.



**Becky Bone** is a national literacy Consultant for Scholastic who works with teachers, literacy coaches, principals, and district administrators nationwide. Becky taught struggling and advanced readers and writers in Central Florida, was a Curriculum Coordinator, and was voted Teacher of the Year in 1997. She has presented at national conferences-IRA, NCTE, and NMSA-as well as local, state, and regional gatherings. Becky has been published in NCTE's Voices from the Middle and Scholastic's Administrator.



**Dr. Karen Burke**, Senior Vice President of Scholastic Education, has been in education for more than 30 years and has served students in various capacities including 10 years as a classroom teacher, principal, Title I Director, Federal Programs Coordinator, Curriculum Director, Director of English/Language Arts, and an Assistant Superintendent of Schools in Maine.

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