

Oregon Response to Instruction and Intervention

November is Family Literacy Month!

This issue is full of resources for engaging families in literacy for learners of all ages. As you focus on improving literacy proficiency in your setting, we encourage you to continue to seek out ways to involve and include families in this important work.

A healthy MTSS system includes strong communication with families that includes using feedback and engagement data to improve the system.

A well-functioning Multi-tiered System of Support for Reading (MTSS-R) collects fidelity of implementation data – including data on family engagement – and uses it to make improvements to the health of the system.

District	School
<p>Has our district clearly and publicly articulated family engagement as a core value and lever for student literacy achievement and school literacy improvement?</p> <p>Is family engagement a districtwide responsibility or does responsibility reside in one department?</p>	<p>What are we doing to partner with families in our literacy efforts? How are we ensuring families can attend literacy opportunities and are comfortable being involved?</p> <p>What are our strategies for collaborating with families within MTSS-R? How are we ensuring families' voice are heard?</p>

Click for the [Full Infographic](#) from The National Center on Improving Literacy (NCIL)

Collaborative Pathways: Partnering with Families to Support and Advocate for Best Practices in Multilingual Literacy Development



Watch this on-demand webinar to learn about an innovative pilot course designed by Abriendo Puertas/Opening Doors, CORE Learning, and UnboundEd for Spanish-speaking families with children ages 3-8..

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Partnering with Families Whose Children Are Experiencing Reading Difficulties. A virtual presentation by

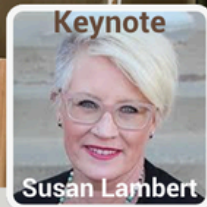


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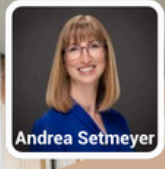
ORTI Virtual Literacy Symposium

12/10/2024

 sneak peek!



Concurrent Session Speakers



Our annual symposium, with a keynote from the host of Science of Reading: The Podcast, Susan Lambert, will feature speakers on all things literacy and MTSS, as well as a state-of-the-state presentation from the Oregon Department of Education.

8:00 AM to 12:30 PM

Pacific Time

Click or scan for free registration



Podcasts We Love

This month, we continued our mission to equip educators with effective literacy instructional strategies by exploring new tools and resources. Our dedication to improving educational support remains unwavering, and here are some key takeaways from the podcasts we listened to during the month.



Melissa and Lori Love Literacy: No More “Strategy of the Week”: Connecting Comprehension Instruction Back to the Book

In this episode of Melissa and Lori Love Literacy, the authors of No More “Strategy of the Week” discuss the importance of adopting a text-centered approach to teaching comprehension. They argue that rather than isolating comprehension strategies, instruction should focus on using texts as the foundation for teaching. The authors highlight key components like background knowledge, vocabulary, and text structure that should be addressed before reading to prepare students. During reading, they stress the importance of explicit think-alouds to model comprehension strategies, while ensuring that students are doing the heavy lifting of interpreting and analyzing the text. **53 Minutes**
Click here to listen: [Episode 208](#)



Triple R Teaching: What is the science of learning? with Dr. Nathaniel Swain

In the Triple R Teaching podcast, Dr. Nathaniel Swain, author of Harnessing the Science of Learning, discusses the vital difference between the science of reading, which tells us what to teach, and the science of learning, which reveals how students learn best. Dr. Swain debunks prevalent myths about learning and offers evidence-based strategies to help teachers refine their practice. His insights aim to empower educators with the tools they need to support all students in reaching their full potential. **46 Minutes**
Click here to listen: [Episode 190](#)



Literacy Talks: Dyslexia Talks: A Personal Story of Perseverance, Discovery, and Advocacy with Curtis Pons

In this heartfelt episode of Literacy Talks, Donell Pons and her husband, Curtis, share his lifelong struggle with dyslexia, offering listeners an emotional look into their journey. Curtis recounts the early revelation of his reading difficulties during their honeymoon, his decision to leave college despite academic success, and the challenges he faced throughout his career. Donell reflects on the difficulty of identifying dyslexia, both within their family and the broader education system. **49 Minutes**
Click here to listen: [Sess. 6 Episode 6](#)

Being Bilingual is a Superpower, from Colorín Colorado: Share these videos with multilingual families offering ideas on how they can support their child’s literacy through activities that celebrate language, culture, and special time together at home! **They come in eight different languages!**



Adolescent Literacy

The Reading League Compass has gathered a robust collection of resources to support educators in improving literacy instruction for students in middle and high school. This invaluable resource includes information on guidelines to evaluate how well secondary intervention materials align with the findings from the science of reading.



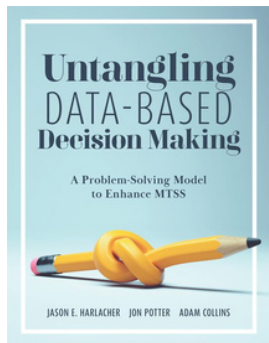
Families and Caregivers

This resource gives insights on how to engage caregivers and empower them to actively participate in the learning and growing of their students. It includes an excellent parent introduction to the science of reading.



The Reading League
COMPASS

Our friend
Jon Potter's
book made the cut!



Looking for the perfect teacher gift or a new professional learning book for your next book club?

Stephanie Stollar's 2024 Holiday Book List: Top picks for Science of Reading titles for reading and gifting is out now!



MiMTSS
Technical Assistance Center

Professional Learning Opportunity for District and School Administrators

The Michigan MTSS Technical Assistance Center is offering a virtual session on Family Partnerships for District and School Administrators. Learn effective strategies to foster strong, collaborative relationships with families, ensuring a supportive and inclusive community that drives student success.

Family Partnerships for District and School Administrators
Monday, December 2, 2024
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM EST
Click to Register!

Training Events and Offerings

Click to Register

Better Together
TRANSFORMING SCHOOLS WITH INTEGRATED MTSS
Annual Conference
REGISTER TODAY!
 April 23rd - 25th
 2025
 Hilton Portland Downtown

NORTHWEST PBIS & ORTIi
 Reach & Teach All Students

KEYNOTES DR. NIKOLE HOLLINS-SIMS & CASEY SOVO

Registration has begun for our Annual Conference! This year we are partnering with Northwest PBIS. Don't wait too long, this event always sells out!

From the Archives

Spotlight on Families

This virtual session was presented at our annual conference in 2022 by Dr. Lisa Lyon and our very own ORTIi Implementation coach Beth Ferguson. In this session, common questions families of children with reading difficulties are shared. The presenters discuss improved responses that are based in science and that help to empower families to advocate for their students.

Click to Watch



Dr. Lisa Lyon

Oregon RTIi MTSS-R Component Training Modules



Strengthening Family and Community Partnerships is one of the critical components needed to improve literacy in an MTSS system. This module includes a video and slide deck that can be used for professional development or training in your setting to improve outcomes in this area. [We have also created an extensive list of Family and Community Partnership Resources](#) that can be explored and shared! All of our MTSS training modules are available on our website at oregonrti.org

Thank you for reading!

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