



Texas Literacy Initiative Newsletter

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Literacy Lines

A Literacy Line is a vertical collaborative among feeder pattern campuses within a Local Education Agency (LEA), or among partnering LEAs, that include pre-kindergarten, elementary, middle, and high schools and their associated ECE providers. Such ECE providers may include: Early Head Start, Head Start, public or private non-profit licensed child care providers, and public pre-kindergarten programs, among others. Literacy Lines will provide instructional and programming alignment for language, pre-literacy, and literacy development and ease key transitions for children across their entire learning careers. Each subgrant recipient will be required to form a fully articulated Literacy Line that includes all levels: age zero to school entry, elementary, middle, and high schools.).

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TLI HIGHLIGHTS



3rd Annual ELA Summit October 13, 2012

On October 13, 2012, the Brownsville Independent School District had its 3rd Annual English Language Arts Summit at Ortiz Elementary. Teacher Specialists presented and participated in the Summit.

Beginning of Year (BOY) Data Analysis Meetings

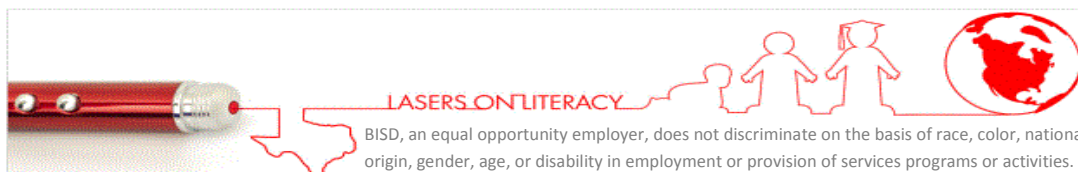
During the month of October BISD teachers in grades PK–12th participated in BOY data analysis meetings. During these meetings teachers analyzed results from various BOY assessments such as: CPALLS, TPRI, TEJAS LEE, STAAR, TALA, etc.

Teachers along with administrators set Middle of the Year (MOY) goals and devised plans of action to reach these goals.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

- **Nov. 03**—STAARing POETRY & PERSUASION: GENRE WORK-STATIONS 4th and 5th GRADE
- **Nov. 06**- STAAR READING FOR 3 & 4 GRADE ELEMENTARY LEAD TEACHERS
- **Nov. 08**- STAAR READING FOR 6TH & 7TH GRADE MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHERS
- **Nov 09**- STAAR READING FOR 8TH MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHERS AND OF INSTRUCTION
- **Nov. 10** - ELPS FOR LANGUAGE ARTS TARGET AUDIENCE : ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOLS

The choices we make today determine the quality of our lives tomorrow. (Wong & Wong, 2001)



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TLI **SPOTLIGHT** on Literacy

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English Language Arts Summit, October 13, 2012



Hanna Teacher Specialist
discussing Take-Home Libraries



Lopez Teacher Specialists
presenting on Literacy Centers



Response to Intervention
presentation by Pace Specialists



Porter Specialist discussing
Elementary Writing strategies



Rivera Specialists engaging the
audience in Literature Circles



Veterans Teacher Specialists
presenting Go Figure 19!

Age 0 to School Entry

Pre-Kinder teachers and Kinder teachers were given a chance to view how to prepare Take-Home Libraries. For more information please see www.readingrockets.com www.colorincolorado.com

Kinder to Grade 5

Kinder through 5th grade teachers participated in writing strategies activities and learned how to incorporate literacy centers in their classroom. More information can be found on www.texasreading.org

Grade 6 to Grade 12

Middle and high school teachers engaged in literature circles using authentic literature and took part in activities related to Figure 19. For more information see www.meadowscenter.org www.literaturecircles.com

