

2018 ORA State Literacy Conference

Sponsored by the Oregon Reading Association

**Friday & Saturday
February 2-3, 2018**

Holiday Inn Hotel & Conference Center
8439 NE Columbia Blvd. • Portland, Oregon



Friday Seminar

***Powering Up Language and Literacy
Through Constructive Conversations
for All: Grades K-12***

Featured author:
Jeff Zwiers



Discover How to Enhance Students:

- Oral language and conversation skills
- Text-based understandings
- Clarifying, supporting, and arguing skills
- Classroom engagement

Super Saturday Sessions

**Instructional strategies to boost
literacy skills in four strands:**

- ★ K-5
- ★ STEAM
- ★ 6-12
- ★ Struggling Readers

We Welcome You! ELL, Instructional Coaches, Administrators, Classroom Teachers, ELA & Content Area Teachers, Special Education, Title One, College Students and Faculty



Registration

<http://oregonread.org>

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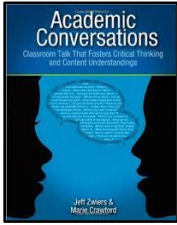
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- Session Description & Author Bio
- Benefits of Attending the Conference

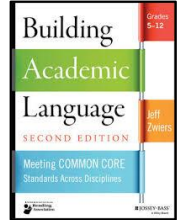
Friday, February 2nd

Powering Up Language and Literacy Through Constructive Conversations for All: K-12 with author Jeff Zwiers

All students need to develop skills for engaging in face-to-face conversations in school about academic content. They need skills of clarifying, supporting, and arguing ideas with others. This presentation will focus on improving teacher practices for developing oral language and conversation skills for and through the teaching of content and literacy. Participants will engage in activities and learn classroom-ready strategies to improve students' speaking and paired conversations that are focused on text-based understandings and critical thinking.



Jeff Zwiers teaches at Stanford University's Center to Support Excellence in Teaching. His work focuses on the literacy development of students from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds. He offers practical, research-based strategies to teach effective communication and academic language skills across the content areas in K-12 classrooms. Jeff is the author of: *Academic Conversations*; *Building Academic Language*; and *Common Core Standards in Diverse Classrooms*.



Saturday, February 3rd

Sixteen small group sessions in four concurrent strands: **K-5; 6-12; STEAM; and Struggling Readers.**

Educators from across the region will share practical instructional strategies based on current research. These literacy leaders include classroom teachers, instructional specialists, and university faculty.

The Oregon State Literacy Conference is open to all.

****The non-member price includes 1-year membership in ORA and a local reading council.***

Registration Fees

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| \$195 | ORA Member by Dec. 1 st |
| \$230 | Non-member* by Dec. 1 st |
| \$225 | ORA Member after Dec. 1 st |
| \$260 | Non-member* after Dec. 1 st |
| \$100 | College Student |
| \$195 | Group of 4 or more members registered and paid together (any time) \$230 Non-members* |
| \$100 | Saturday Only |

Conference Benefits

- PDU Certificate Provided
- One Graduate Credit Available for \$60
- Purchase Classroom Resources
- On-Site Exhibitors Include:

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| Treehouse Books | ORA Lending Library |
| Stenhouse | Heinemann |
| Booksource | Perma-Bound |
| McGraw Hill | American Reading Co. |
| Houghton Mifflin Harcourt | OR Agriculture in the Classroom |
| ORTESOL | Reading Horizons |