



Tejas LEE Summer Conference 2008 - July 31-August 1, 2008

Region 2 Education Service Center

209 N. Water St • Corpus Christi, TX

Conference 2008 Options

Summer Conference

\$250 per person

Designed for professionals who provide instruction/services to ELL students and wish to develop a deeper understanding of early Spanish reading development and the process of transitioning to students into English. Participants may choose from a variety of sessions on a wide range of topics. In addition, some presentations will focus on in depth use of data and activities from the Tejas LEE assessment instrument (these sessions require participants to already be familiar with and using the assessment). One ticket to the Dinner Social is included with your registration.

Keynote Speakers

Dr. David Francis has collaborated in research on reading and reading disabilities, attention problems, developmental consequences of brain injuries and birth defects, and adolescent alcohol abuse. He is director of TIMES and the National Research and Development Center for English Language Learners.

Dr. Coleen Carlson, an associate research professor at the University of Houston, and the associate director of the TIMES. Her research interests include measurement development and psychometric evaluation, advanced statistical methods, program evaluation, and early literacy and language development in English- and Spanish-speaking children.

Conference Presentation Themes

Oral language/Vocabulary development in Spanish and English

Laying the groundwork for successful transitioning to English instruction

Early intervention

Improving spelling in Spanish and English

Make and take workshops related to early reading skills

Training of Trainers (TOT)

\$365 per person

An intensive two day Tejas LEE training designed for individuals will be training teachers how to administer and use the Tejas LEE assessment.

This training covers the following topics: Proper Administration Procedures (K-3); Grouping and Interpreting Data (K-3); and Progress Monitoring (K-3). TOT participants will receive a Tejas LEE training binder and a CD to turn around training to their district/ESCs only. On ticket to the Dinner Social is included with your registration.

Dinner Social Tickets

Free to conference and TOT registrants. \$25 per additional person

On Thursday, July 31, join us for the Dinner Social at the Texas State Aquarium. The social includes: a buffet dinner, live entertainment (Mariachi and DJ), access to all aquarium exhibits and a reception. One ticket to the Dinner Social is included in your conference or TOT registration. Additional tickets are available for purchase for \$25 per person.

Dr. Elsa Cardenas-Hagan, director of the Valley Speech Language and Learning Center. Her research interests include the development of language and literacy interventions for students who are English language learners. She is the author of the Esperanza Program, a Spanish multi-sensory reading, writing, and spelling program.

Dr. Mabel Rivera is co-investigator for the Center on Instruction-English Language Learners strand at the University of Houston. Her current research interests include the education and prevention of reading difficulties in English Language Learners and students with disabilities.

Who should attend?

Teachers

Trainers

Principals

Administrators

Paraprofessionals

Data Managers

Reading Specialists

For more information on the Tejas LEE Summer Conference, please visit our website: www.tejaslee.org or contact Griselda Hernandez at 713-743-8562.