

# EQUITY and LITERACY

How the Science of Reading  
benefits *all* children  
In person event

The  
**Superkids**  
Reading Program

Hosted by Columbia, MO RPDC

Ginny Vandelicht, Director

Courtyard by Marriott – Columbia, 3301 Lemone Industrial Blvd. Columbia, MO 65201

Equity is essential for *all* students to thrive and there has never been a more promising time in education. With evidence-aligned instruction, up to 95% of our children *can* learn to read!

The time is now for us to ensure diversity is welcomed into the classroom in a way that gives all students a chance to succeed. This needs to be true regardless of their socioeconomic standing, race, gender, or ability.

The tremendous insights into the process of learning to read, and the current research embodies the **science of reading**.

Learn more about these principles at our complimentary professional development event. We will examine current barriers to equity, the theoretical models and best practices of brain-based literacy instruction, and the **new MO teacher licensure requirements** so that ALL children can thrive.\*

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Dee Larsen - Zaner-Bloser Educational Consultant

**March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**8:00 AM – 1:30 PM**

08:00 – 08:30 Light Breakfast

08:30 – 10:15 Science of Reading Walk Thru (Laura Stewart)

10:15 – 10:30 Break

10:30 – 12:15 Equity and Literacy (Dr. Brown-Wood)

12:15 – 12:45 Boxed Lunch

12:45 – 01:30 DESE, New Teacher Prep & Licensure Requirements –  
Heather Knight, Director of Literacy, OCCR

#### QUESTIONS?

Ask Cathy Ausby:

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\*Certificate of Attendance will be given along with clock hours.

#### PRESENTED BY:

**Dr. JaNay Brown-Wood**

Professor of Early Childhood Education,  
Folsom Lake College

**Laura Stewart**

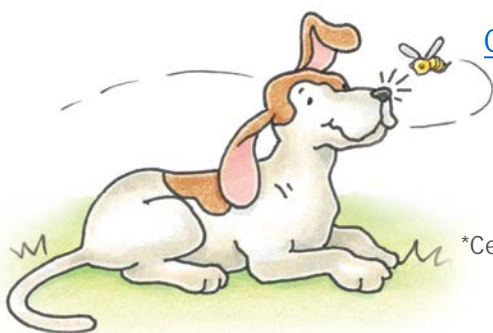
National Director, The Reading League

#### ABOUT THE PRESENTERS:

**Dr. JaNay Brown-Wood** is an award-winning children's author, educator, and scholar, Assistant Professor - Child & Adolescent Development Dept. at UC, Davis, teacher and researcher.

Dr. Brown-Wood's numerous awards include the AERA Minority Dissertation Fellowship, the Eugene Cota-Robles Fellowship, and the Society for Research in Child Development Black Caucus's Early Career Grant.

**Laura Stewart's** current role as the National Director of The Reading League fits her perfectly, as her passion is empowering educators to positively impact ALL students and ultimately change the course of literacy achievement in this country. She presents nationally and internationally and is a published author.



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