

WHO WE ARE

Community Based– Volunteer Powered!

Literacy Network is a broad collection of community members working together to advance the cause of literacy in Dane County. More than 400 volunteers, 1,200 learners, and 30 partner agencies help us promote this work to improve the reading, writing, and language skills of our community.

Our Mission:

Literacy Network teaches reading, writing, and speaking skills to Dane County adults and families so they can achieve financial independence, good health, and greater involvement in community life.



www.litnetwork.org

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WHERE WE ARE

Office Hours

Monday- 8:30am-8:00pm

Tuesday 8:30am-5:00pm

Wednesday– 8:30am-8:00pm

Thursday- 8:30am–5:00pm

Friday– 8:30am-1:00pm



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Throughout 2010, Literacy Network will offer the following in-service training classes to help both tutors and learners gain or enhance skills for lifelong learning. Sessions are at Literacy Network unless otherwise indicated.

Seven Deadly Sins of Tutoring

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Feb 15th

6-8 pm

This seminar will address the classic mistakes tutors often make, and will provide tips for how to avoid troubling situations.

10 Ways to Teach ESL Vocabulary

Andrea Poulos, UW-Madison Instructor
Heidi Evans, ESL Instructor

Feb 24th

6-8 pm

The presenters will lead a workshop on applying what we know from second language acquisition research to the teaching of vocabulary. Learn about tools and activities that you can implement in the classroom right away. Bring a favorite idea or two to share if you want and be ready to gather new ideas.

Andy Poulos has been involved in TESOL teaching, administration and teacher training for over 20 years. She is currently teaching at UW-Madison. Her particular interests are in the areas of literacy-level learners, reading for all levels, and pronunciation/communication strategies.

Heidi Evans has taught ESL at the University of Wisconsin-Madison since 2008 after returning from teaching in Japan for eight years. She enjoys teaching academic writing, reading, and academic skills.

Beginning Reading for Advanced ESL Students

Gregg Williard, ESL Instructor

Mar 30th

5:30-8 pm

Many learners have advanced listening and speaking skills, but have not developed skills in reading. This in-service will capitalize communicative strengths of learners to meet the very different demands of reading English.

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Throughout the learning process, tutors and learners often find that they have reached a plateau and find it difficult to make new progress. This seminar will address these concerns and offer tips to overcome this hurdle.

Apr 19th

6-8 pm

May 19th

6-8 pm

Brown-Bag Workshop

Brian Anderson, Director of Tutoring

In this workshop, tutors will learn helpful tips for assigning alternative types of homework. Attendees are encouraged to come with some ideas of their own!

Effective Strategies for Literacy Level Learners

Andrea Poulos, UW-Madison Instructor

July 13th

6-8 pm

Some of the adults we teach have a double challenge -- they are trying to learn English as a second language, and they are trying to learn to read and write for the first time in their lives since they are not literate or have only weak literacy in their first language. Come and learn some good strategies for working effectively with these literacy level or emerging readers.

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Avoiding Grammaticide with Side by Side

Gregg Williard, ESL Instructor

Aug 18th

6-8 pm

The most commonly used text for many of our learners is the popular Side by Side Series. While the books have many good features most instructors and tutors soon discover a host of limitations that require supplementary material. In this inservice we will discuss those limitations, and offer numerous easy to use and fun techniques for "riffing creatively" off the standard text.

Lit Network Staff (TBA)

6-8 pm

Map Literacy Tools and Techniques

Richard Russell, Literacy Network Tutor

Sept

TBA

6-8 pm

Beyond Worksheets: Creating Lesson Plans that Work

Andrea Poulos, UW-Madison Instructor

Sept 27

6-8 pm

Teaching With Writing

Angela Woodbury, Director,
Edgewood College Writing Center

Oct 6

6-8 pm

Learn how to help students improve their reflective and practical writing skills. Three steps will be covered: asking for writing, responding to writing, collecting/presenting writing. Participants will do some writing and peer review.

Techniques for Teaching Pronunciation

Andrea Poulos, UW-Madison Instructor

Nov 9th

6-8 pm

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