

## **Reading Like a Detective: Cracking Open the Secrets of Complex Text**

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The CDE Literacy Project is an outcome of the Odyssey Project, a long-time, joint outreach effort of the Colorado Department of Education and the Colorado Council for Learning Disabilities. The Colorado Odyssey Project has historically provided an exciting learning experience for teachers across the state. We hope that through The CDE Literacy Project, the excitement of learning will continue, with an additional goal – to support CDE's Strategic Literacy plan. This project will therefore be a joint effort between the Office of Literacy, the Office of Learning Supports, and the Exceptional Student Services Unit within the Colorado Department of Education.

We are pleased to announce the content of The CDE Literacy Project professional development this year will explore the foundations that are needed in order for students to read complex text successfully. The new Colorado Academic Standards, which includes the entirety of the Common Core State Standards, become more rigorous with evident expectations that students will be able to read, interpret and talk about complex text. This content will address the continuum of student needs, including students with disabilities.

The Summary Conference will be with Dr. Amy Elleman who will share her research on the development of inference skills in addition to strategies that can help students read like detectives.

One credit hour will be available from Adams State College for \$55, if you attend all 3 regional sessions and the Summary Conference. A certificate of attendance, for 9 hours, will be issued for attending all 3 regional sessions. If you also attend the Summary Conference you will receive a 15-hour certificate of attendance or sign up for college credit. **There will be no charge for the Summary Conference, which includes all handouts, morning coffee and lunch!**

## **Conference Details**

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**Date: Saturday, April 27, 2013**

**Time: 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (registration from 8:30 – 9:00 a.m.)**

**Location: Doubletree Hotel - Denver, 3203 Quebec St., Denver, CO 80207 – Grand Ballroom**

**Link to online registration\*: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/LiteracyProject>**

For questions regarding conference content, please contact Debby Middel-Katzenmeyer at:

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For questions regarding registration or to cancel your registration, please contact Kristy Reed at:

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\*Priority registration will be given to participants of the 3 regional site sessions.

Registrants who have not attended the site sessions will be notified and admitted on a space-available basis.

\*\*When making your guestroom reservations at the Doubletree, mention CDE to get a group rate (approx. \$89 for deluxe guestroom not including tax, \$99 for single w/full breakfast, \$109 for double w/full breakfast).