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Editor's Corner

Vincent Van Gough wrote, “Great things are done by a series of small things brought together,” and truly everything each of you do to educate and support our students, their families, and your communities in these incredibly difficult times is nothing short of amazing. It speaks to your greatness as educators, even during times you may personally feel otherwise. Saying “thank you” hardly seems adequate, sufficient, or like it’s enough for the work you continue to do, but it is all I have in this moment to express my gratitude as a parent, student, neighbor, fellow educator, leader, and citizen of Colorado. I am deeply honored to serve and work alongside each of you. If no one has told you this recently, then I will. YOU ARE SIMPLY AMAZING!

CDE News and Announcements

The Office of Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Education (CLDE) is pleased to partner with Author Beth Kelley, MA, LPC, to offer professional development in the area of Teaching, Learning, and Trauma for district administrators, coordinators, coaches, counselors and teachers. All sessions will take place virtually, on Thursdays from 4 to 5:30 p.m., beginning Thursday, Nov. 5. Detailed course information, syllabus, and professional development hours are located on the CLDE Professional Learning Opportunities [webpage](#).

The Office of Learning Supports is proud to present *Multi-Tiered System of Supports by Design: Harnessing the Power of Universal Design for Learning Across Tiers*. This presentation on Friday, Nov. 6 from 11am-12pm, presented by Kevin Schafer, Director of Program Support, El Dorado County (Calif.) Office of Education/Supporting Inclusive Practices Project will address the integration of Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) and UDL as a model to identify systemic achievement gaps, inequitable access to instruction and lowered post-secondary outcomes. For additional information and to register, please click [here](#).

Applications for schools to participate in **CDE’s Dyslexia pilot program** are now being accepted. Applications will be due on Monday, Nov. 30. The purpose of the program is to develop and pilot screening and identification processes and intervention strategies for K-3 students who may have dyslexia. Click [here](#) for more information.

2020 NCTE Annual Virtual Convention November 19th -22nd

While our experience may not be side by side, it will still be person to person, because everything about the 2020 NCTE Virtual Annual Convention has been designed to help you network with your peers, see your favorite authors, and customize your professional learning. You’ll be able to view an inspiring world of content and information just as always ... except it will be from your office, living room, or kitchen table.



We’ve recently added a new reason to attend this year’s Virtual Convention — and his name is Trevor Noah! The host of the Emmy® and Peabody® Award-winning *The Daily Show* and author of the #1 *New York Times* bestseller *Born a Crime: Stories from a South African Childhood* will be our keynote speaker on Thursday, November 19, and you’ll be able to listen, learn, and laugh ... live!

Better yet, Trevor’s appearance is just one of the many dynamic and exciting events you’ll be able to attend in our virtual format—with 76 live, 56 scheduled, and 266 on-demand sessions in all. You’ll find an up-to-the-minute list of speakers on our [website](#).

If you have yet to register, now’s the time! Click here to complete your [registration](#), and get set for all the excitement the NCTE Convention always delivers!

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