

EARLY LITERACY SYMPOSIUM!

A full day of inspiration and education in best practices to foster early literacy among children, ages birth to 3rd grade.

Early Literacy Symposium – Saturday, March 24, 2012 – 8:00 a.m. until 4:45 p.m., Loudermilk Center, Atlanta, GA

Includes full program day and CEU credit, buffet breakfast & lunch, and parking at United Way deck with validation at Symposium
Bright from the Start training hours provided for Georgia residents

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Teachers of young children birth through 3rd grade
Program directors and administrators
Georgia Pre-k teachers
Curriculum and instructional coordinators
Early childhood specialists
Early Reading First grant teachers and project leaders
University teachers in ECE and K-3 programs
Early literacy coaches
Afterschool care and program providers
Staff of social service organizations working with young children

Questions? Email earlyliteracysymposium@caresolutions.com



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EXCITING - WORKSHOPS - PLUS NATIONALLY - RECOGNIZED KEYNOTERS!

Earl Martin Phalen, Chief Executive Officer of Reach Out and Read & Founder of Summer Advantage USA

Jail or Yale? In 1967, Earl Martin Phalen was born into the foster care system. As a result of being adopted by George and Veronica Phalen - and their passion for reading and education – he avoided the fate of 70% of his African-American peers in foster care (jail), and instead graduated from Yale University and Harvard Law School. Having witnessed the transformative power of education and family involvement, he has dedicated the past 20 years of his life to expanding the life opportunities of children through learning and academic engagement. Phalen has been recognized nationally with a BET Spirit of Service Award, by ABC World News, Time Magazine and two U.S. Presidents.



Back by popular demand!

Laura Justice, Ph.D., Professor in the School of Teaching and Learning, The Ohio State University



Dr. Justice received rave reviews for her keynote at last year's Symposium and she's back with another dynamite early literacy presentation! In addition to her professorship at The Ohio State University, Dr. Justice also serves as the Director of the Children's Learning Research Collaborative, a research unit that conducts field-based research on early learning and development in language, literacy, and other developmental domains. She is the author of a variety of books on children's learning, including *Language Development from Theory to Practice*. Dr. Justice has received, among other distinctions, the Presidential Early Career Award in Science and Engineering (from President G. W. Bush), the Fulbright Scholar Award, and the Early Career Publication Award (from Division of Research, Council for Exceptional Children).

Phyllis C. Hunter, President, Phyllis C. Hunter Consulting, Inc.



As a reading consultant who specializes in scientific-research-based programs, Mrs. Hunter has traveled the nation providing on-site technical assistance to states implementing comprehensive reading programs. The *Phyllis C. Hunter Classroom Libraries* is her most recent publication that was created in conjunction with Scholastic, Inc.. The Libraries are based on scientific research, Mrs. Hunter's own years of classroom experience, her connection with schools across the country, and her work as a national literacy specialist. Mrs. Hunter was appointed by Congress and President Bush to the board of the National Institute for Literacy, and has served as an advisor on the President's Educational Transition Team. She was honored with the Marcus Foster Memorial Award for Distinguished Educator of the Year by the National Alliance of Black School Educators.

Registration Form

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FEE CATEGORIES: CHECK ONLY ONE BOX BELOW AND FOLLOW REGISTRATION DIRECTIONS

FULL SCHOLARSHIP

DEADLINE JANUARY 25
(space available basis)

FULL SCHOLARSHIP* - for those working in (check only one box below):

Current UWMA-supported Early Reading First project (APPLE)

Past UWMA-supported Early Reading First projects (DREAM, READERS, LIGHT)

Other UWMA-supported projects :

PACE

Read Right from the Start

Accreditation Project with:
BCDI - Quality Assist - Quality Care for Children (circle one)

**No payment required if you qualify based on UWMA affiliation above.*

- 1) Fill out Registration Form below and fax or mail
- 2) If approved, you will receive a confirmation letter and ticket

PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP

DEADLINE FEBRUARY 1
(space available basis)

LIMITED NUMBER OF PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS* - for those working in/as:

Current United Way-funded grantee programs

Teachers of young children from birth to 3rd grade

**Payment of \$25 is required after pre-approval if you qualify based on space available*

- 1) Fill out Registration Form below and fax or mail
- 2) You will be contacted if approved
- 3) Send payment after approval
- 4) After payment is received, you will receive a confirmation letter and ticket

STANDARD REGISTRATION

DEADLINE MARCH 1
(space available basis)

REGISTRATION FEE – all others not qualified for full or partial scholarship registration are welcome and encouraged to register!

Registration Fee 2012 = \$85.00*

Includes full program day, IACET CEU credit, buffet breakfast & lunch, and parking at United Way deck with validation at Symposium. Bright from the Start training hours provided for Georgia residents.

**Payment of \$85.00 required with registration form. Invoice will be provided upon request.*

- 1) Fill out Registration Form below and mail with registration fee of \$85.00 made payable to: United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta/Smart Start
- 2) You will receive a confirmation letter and ticket

PLEASE PRINT – LIMIT 200 REGISTRANTS – RESERVE EARLY!

NAME: _____

ORGANIZATION: _____

TITLE/GRADE LEVEL (if applicable): _____

HOME ADDRESS - Street: _____

HOME ADDRESS – City, State, Zip: _____

HOME OR CELL PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

FOLLOW DIRECTIONS ABOVE FOR THE FEE CATEGORY BOX YOU CHECKED:

CHECKS PAYABLE TO: United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta/Smart Start

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