



Sharpen your skills to help improve student literacy
Exclusive MEA Center for Leadership & Learning PD Opportunity:

BUILDING LITERACY SKILLS IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BY BRINGING SCIENCE TO THE CLASSROOM

Recognizing the importance of literacy and the need to implement Science of Reading strategies statewide, MEA's Center for Leadership & Learning is proud to launch a new partnership with OxEd & Assessment — a University of Oxford spinout company committed to improving early language and literacy outcomes. Together, MEA and OxEd will provide members with exclusive world-class professional development in the science of reading and literacy.



Kicking off at MEA's hybrid Summer Conference in July, this comprehensive course will explore topics including the importance of oral language, decoding and reading comprehension difficulties, and the importance of language to socio-emotional wellbeing.

The course will also provide practical strategies for putting the science into practice in your classroom.

Conference attendees who take part in a virtual breakout session will receive access to the full online course — training is provided at no cost to MEA members and counts towards 15-20 hours of continuing education credits.

Get started by registering today for the Summer Conference at [MEA.org/SummerConf](https://mea.org/SummerConf) (be sure to register for Session 801).

Can't make it on July 17? No problem — another opportunity will be available later in the year.

About OxEd & Assessment: Founded by world-leading researchers, Dr. Charles Hulme and Dr. Maggie Snowling, OxEd leverages decades of rigorous research in language development and educational interventions to create professional development and practical tools to help educators implement the most effective science-led strategies.

Summer Conference Virtual Keynote

ORAL LANGUAGE: THE HEART OF LEARNING

Thurs., July 17 • 9-10 a.m. via Zoom

Oral language is the heart of literacy and learning. It's fundamental to a child's educational journey, serving as the foundation for reading, comprehension, communication, and social interaction. Yet despite the significant attention given to phonics and literacy more generally, oral language often remains overlooked.

Start your professional development journey by hearing from Dr. Charles Hulme at a special virtual keynote at MEA's hybrid Summer Conference.

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