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# Literacy Through Literature: /// Developing Skills Within a Love of Language

Presented by Kathie Bridges and Nellie Edge award-winning kindergarten teachers

- Learn Best Practices for Multisensory ABC and Phonics Immersion in Kindergarten
- Rediscover Favorite Books Every Child Deserves to Have as a Friends
- Use the Arts to Make Folk Tales and Literature Come Alive
- Consider New Strategies for Developing Responsible Learners
- Create a Powerful Parents as Partners Program
- Learn Delightful Songs and Dances



Kathie Bridges and Nellie Edge

## April 26, 2008 (Saturday) – Salem, Oregon Visit Kathie Bridges' kindergarten at Pringle Elementary

Professional Development Credits and Washington Clock Hours Available

Celebrate Language and Accelerate Kindergarten Literacy

### **Uniquely Qualified Presenters**

Kathie Bridges is a dynamic, playful and highly organized mentor kindergarten teacher. She is a recipient of the *Nellie Edge* Excellence in Kindergarten Literacy award and a part of Nellie's action-research team on Multisensory ABC and Phonics Immersion. Her fresh and original teaching reflects her love of language and deep respect and understanding of young children. Kathie's room is filled with quality literature – the walls reflect children's artistic connections to the wonderful stories she shares. She is a natural storyteller using music, rhythm, and dramatic flair to make literature come alive. Kathie has developed a classroom of ambitious readers and "kid writers" while still honoring children's need for sociodramatic play and magical learning experiences. Kathie has also developed a model "parents as partners in kindergarten literacy" program. And we know why these parents are so supportive: we think you too will love this amazing kindergarten teacher!

**Nellie Edge** is a nationally recognized kindergarten trainer, early literacy coach, author, storyteller, and musician. She is a recipient of the *IRA Reading Excellence Through the Arts award* and the founder of the Northwest Coalition for Excellence in Kindergarten and Early Literacy.

### **Performance Guarantee**

We stand behind the quality of Nellie Edge seminars by providing the following performance guarantee. If you are not completely satisfied with this seminar, please write us within 10 days of the seminar date and we will refund 100% of your registration fee.

### **Special Benefits of this Workshop:**

• You will receive a comprehensive handbook with beautiful full-color photos of life inside Kathie Bridges' engaging kindergarten. Your book

contains resources for: multisensory ABC and phonics immersion, literature connections, "kid writing," parents as partners in literacy, an integrated unit on folk tales, action chants and



rhymes, and memorable parent performances. It also includes excerpts from Nellie Edge's new literacy manual *Celebrate Language and Accelerate Literacy: Higher Standards · Joyful Learning · Proven Strategies* 

• A limited number of partial scholarships are available for 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> – year kindergarten teachers on a first-come, first-served basis (You pay \$99 if registered by March 14, 2008, instead of \$195). Class size is limited to 20 participants.

Children's art and photo displays will be featured at this workshop. Bring your camera.

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How do we develop a classroom of kindergartners who not only learn to read and write – but *choose* to read and write? How do we honor the need for socio-dramatic play – and the need for a rigorous literacy focus in a half-day kindergarten? Kathie Bridges' comprehensive and engaging approach to literacy reflects her deep knowledge of children, her love of language, and a systematic, research-based approach to literacy. With great skill, wisdom, and delight, Kathie demonstrates how to raise the literacy standards and still keep kindergarten a "child's garden."

## This joyful and practical day includes:

- Use sign language ABC and phonics immersion: best practices. We will share kindergarten-proven strategies to accelerate knowledge of the alphabetic principle. Kathie Bridges was a part of our pilot study group the results were fantastic!
- Explore our kindergarten choice for **"Favorite Books Every Child Deserves to Have as Friends,"** including several that are delightfully funny.
- What's new in children's literature? New titles you won't want to miss!
- Learn how to build comprehension while reading aloud strategies that work in kindergarten to engage children in thinking deeply and making connections.
- Make folk tales and literature come alive: Kathie's children study several variations of the classic folk tales. They dramatize, illustrate, and write about the folk tales and then work cooperatively to write and illustrate their own books. The study culminates in a parent performance. This is a powerful literacy cycle.
- **Develop strategies to give children responsibility** for their own learning and to care for each other and for the learning environment. Discover how teachers' expectations for kind and helpful behavior become the self-fulfilling prophecy.
- **Discover proven ways to build positive listening behaviors**, to organize clean up of materials, and teach children to problem solve.
- Engage "parents as partners in kindergarten literacy." This unique approach involves parent helpers who conduct daily one-on-one guided reading with each child during socio-dramatic play and literacy center time.
- Learn a repertoire of action chants and rhymes that kinders love. Learn how to connect oral language to print and accelerate literacy. Understand how to use the Neurological Impress Method (NIM) by giving children the support of fluent reading models.
- Create opportunities for children to memorize, recite, and perform delightful language.

## "There is hardly a day that goes by that we don't dance together." Kathie Bridges

(See Photo Essay: With Happy Hearts We Dance and Sing at <u>www.nellieedge.com</u>)

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Kathie Bridges' Literacy Through Literature Saturday Workshop April 26, 2008 – Salem, OR

## This inspiring workshop is limited to 20 participants

\$139.00 early registration by March 14, 2008 \$195.00 after March 14, 2008

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### Fee: \$195 registration fee

Includes comprehensive full-color literacy manual and refreshments. You are on your own for lunch.

Saturday workshops may fill up quickly. Register early so you won't be disappointed. Pre-registration is required. A confirmation will be emailed.

### **Risk-Free Registration**

100% of your paid registration fee will be refunded if you are unable to attend and you notify us **at least one week prior** to the seminar. Late cancellations will be refunded less a \$25.00 service fee. Substitution may be made at any time.

### **Program Hours**

Registration: 8:30a.m. – 9:00a.m. Seminar Hours: 9:00a.m. – 3:00p.m. Lunch Break: Noon – 1:15p.m.

## April 26, 2008

### Kathie Bridges' Kindergarten

Pringle Elementary School 4800 Reed Rd., Salem, OR

### **University Semester Credit Option**

Semester units of up to three postbaccalaureate professional development credits are available through the University of the Pacific (CA). Additional \$62 per credit fee required, payable at the seminar. Details for direct enrollment, with University of the Pacific (CA) at the seminar. Follow-up practicum projects require 15 hours per credit. Acceptable where local school districts approve and applicable to state licensure where such activities are approved. For other credit questions please call Dr. Allan Lifson at 800-479-1995.