Professional Development
Course Syllabus

Course Number: EDAD 5474  (Sec.  )
Course Title: ASCD: Literacy Strategies: Special Needs
Sponsor ID: 187550

Two-step Registration Process: 1) Register and pay for course with ASCD (www.ascd.org) 2) Register for credit with NNU (www.nnu.edu/cereg)

Instructor: Barbara Rainey  Continuing Education Credit(s):  1  Total Cost for Credit: $80.00

NOTE: Continuing Education courses are designed for professional development and do not normally count toward an academic degree.

1. Educational Goals for the Course: This course explains why it’s important for every teacher to become involved in teaching students how to read, write, and comprehend the subject matter being presented to them, with a focus on strategies for teaching special needs. Participants will also explore the common misperception that a lack of reading skills is the root of failure in content-area courses.

2. Instructional Learning Objectives:
   Participants will:
   - Consider the rationale for building literacy skills and what reforms in early reading are required to ensure that all students become proficient readers.
   - Explore the common misperception that a lack of reading skills is the root of failure in content-area courses.
   - Learn several teaching strategies relevant to special needs.

3. Course Requirements: This course is available only to those who have registered with and purchased the course from ASCD (www.ascd.org, then select PD Online Courses)
   Participants will be required to:
   - Complete all lessons.
   - Submit a reflection paper, detailing what was learned and how the knowledge will be applied.
   - Submit reflection paper in a Word document attachment to:
     Barbara Rainey - BRaineyReader@aol.com
     c/o Northwest Nazarene University
     623 Holly St., Nampa, ID 83686
     800-349-6938 * fax 208-467-8426

4. Dates, Times and Location of Proposed Course:
   (1 Semester Credit Equals 15 Professor Contact Hours plus an additional 30 Hours Outside Work)
   TBD - Participants may have up to six months to complete course. Course completion date must be determined at time of registration.

5. Due Date for Completion of Course Requirements: Within six months of start date.


7. Evaluation Procedure: Pass/Fail