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From: OIC-Schools Division Superintendent

Subject: Readability Center Seminar-Workshop in Region 3

**Date:** March 22, 2017

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Dear Sir,

I hope this letter finds you well.

Readability Center helps children and adolescents improve their literacy skills. In line with our advocacy of *Bridging Literacies, Serving Communities*, our center aspires to bring literacy to all kinds of learners, especially to those who struggle in literacy learning. Besides providing assessment and literacy intervention, we have been sharing with fellow literacy educators our knowledge and experiences since 2005.

We would like to offer our expertise through teacher education seminar-workshops in Region 3. These seminar-workshops will cover topics on effective literacy instruction, strategies in teaching the key domains of literacy, and action research in literacy instruction.

**Teaching Literacy Effectively** is an introduction to literacy instruction that answers the whys, whats, and hows of teaching literacy. It applies the latest trends that have been found to be effective in different learning environments. It will also explain the importance of the implementation of the Mother-Tongue Based Multilingual Education in K to 12.

Since reading and language is developmental, Language Arts teachers will benefit from knowing what key literacy skills need to be focused on across the different grade levels. **Strategies in Teaching the Key Domains of Literacy** focuses on three literacy skills sets: beginning reading, reading for comprehension, and writing and composition. Teachers with background knowledge of how the key domains in these literacy skill sets are developed among their students may provide a deeper insight on their instruction. Having this understanding may also help teachers in making sound decisions that influence their instruction as they address the various needs of the students.

The primary goal of the seminar-workshop **Action Research in Literacy Instruction** is to motivate and equip teachers further to start their own action researches to help them make important decisions as they reflect on their practices in literacy instruction. Readability Center co-presented a similar seminar-workshop with the Department of Education - National Capital Region last 1-2 February 2017.

These seminars will be held at the Conference Room of Gesu Child Development Center in Barangay Lara, City of San Fernando, Pampanga. The conference room can accommodate up to 60 participants. The date, topic, objectives, and the expected outputs are stated on the table found on the next page.

DATE / TOPIC	OBJECTIVES	OUTPUTS
24-26 April 2017 Teaching Literacy Effectively	<ul> <li>To explain how children progress as readers and writers</li> <li>To match reading behaviors with their corresponding stages in reading and language</li> <li>To recognize the 14 domains of literacy in the K to 12 curriculum</li> <li>To identify specific domains of literacy in classroom activities</li> <li>To design classroom activities that develop literacy domains</li> <li>To appreciate the importance of explicit instruction</li> <li>To discuss literature-based practices that lead to developing better readers and writers</li> <li>To write a literature-based lesson plan in teaching literacy</li> </ul>	Upon completion of this part of the training, the participants are expected to have:  • designed a classroom activity that explicitly teaches literacy domains and adheres to the developmental stages of reading  • made a lesson plan showcasing effective literacy instruction  • a presentation of a complete lesson plan incorporating all the elements of the balanced literacy approach
8-10 May 2017  Strategies in Teaching the Key Domains of Literacy	<ul> <li>To identify specific domains of literacy for beginning reading</li> <li>To use explicit instruction in teaching phonological awareness, alphabet knowledge, listening comprehension and oral language</li> <li>To design a beginning reading lesson</li> <li>To discuss the use of explicit instruction in teaching reading comprehension</li> <li>To design and demonstrate a lesson that develops reading comprehension</li> <li>To identify effective strategies in teaching language features and sentence structures in written language</li> <li>To discuss the use of explicit instruction in composition and grammar</li> <li>To design and demonstrate a lesson in composition and grammar</li> </ul>	Upon completion of this part of the training, the participants are expected to have:  • designed a beginning reading lesson incorporating the basic literacy domains  • written a lesson plan on explicit instruction of identified skills  • demonstrated a lesson on explicit skills instruction
15-17 May 2017 Action Research in Literacy Instruction	<ul> <li>composition and grammar</li> <li>To name the most pressing problem in their teaching experience</li> <li>To identify the features of the action researches presented Readability Center teachers</li> <li>To understand the steps in conducting an action research</li> <li>To write and refine specific research questions</li> <li>To write a plan for action research</li> </ul>	Upon completion of this part of the training, the participants are expected to have:  • appreciated the action researches conducted in a reading clinic  • identified a problem they want to solve or reflect upon  • written action research questions  • planned for an action research

The main speaker for these seminar-workshops is Mr. Jose Cecilio U. Pascual. He is the Director of Readability Center and the Center Director of Gesu Child Development Center in the City of San Fernando. He is currently a consultant of Basa Pilipinas, a project by the Department of Education and USAID. This program supports the implementation of the language and literacy component of the K to 12 curriculum for Kinder to Grade 3 levels. He studied MA Reading Education from the University of the Philippines, Diliman. He will be assisted by Literacy Teachers from Readability Center Chico QC and San Fernando.

In this light, we would like to request the support and endorsement of the Department of Education- Region 3 to its schools by issuing an Advisory concerning the aforementioned seminar-workshops for the information of the DepEd officials and personnel/staff, school heads of private schools, as well as the concerned public of the Region.

These seminar-workshops target Grades 1 to 6 English and Filipino teachers and school heads. We are expecting 60 public and private school teachers to attend each event. The registration fee is two thousand five hundred pesos (PhP2,500) for each seminar -workshop topic. Early registration costs two thousand two hundred pesos (PhP2,200) when paid on or before these dates: 10 April 2017 for Teaching Literacy Effectively, 24 April 2017 for Strategies in Teaching the Key Domains of Literacy, and 2 May 2017 for Action Research in Literacy Instruction. Payments are made through bank deposit to ensure a slot.

The registration fee includes a kit (handouts and materials), snacks, lunch, and certificate of attendance. Payment of seminar fee may be sourced from private individuals or available school funds.

If you have questions, you may reach me through 0998 9959392 or jayceepascual@readabilitycenter.com.

I am hoping for your favorable response.

Sincerely yours,

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Director