



An August Institute on the
Teaching of Writing
through the
Reading and Writing Project
at Teachers College
Columbia University

Featured Keynote Speaker
Laurie Halse Anderson

August 3-6, 2009

8:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

at the

SUNY Oswego

Sheldon Hall Ballroom

The institute is designed for educators, classroom teachers, and school administrators who are committed to turning classrooms into richly literate reading and writing workshops. The institute will be led by staff developers from the Reading and Writing Project. Two sections will be offered: a K-2 section and a 3-8 section. If you are interested in enrolling for this 20 hour in-service course, please email Joan Dain at jdain@oswego.org. There is a limit of 25 participants in each section.

The following is a partial list of some the topics that will be discussed during this four-day institute:

- The central role of curriculum development and planning in the teaching of writing
- Helping students write well about reading
- Units of study in the writing workshop
- New genre studies including writing persuasive speeches and literary nonfiction
- Formative assessments that inform small group and whole-class instruction
- Methods of holding our students accountable for doing their best work
- Using literature to help students craft their writing
- Classroom structures that support rigor and collaboration