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Dyslexia Associations Will Host Free Workshop for Parents on September 18

Meeting will feature practical advice for parents of children who struggle with learning.

(July 19, 2010) – The *Nebraska Branch of The International Dyslexia Association* and the *Friends of the Nebraska Dyslexia Association* will host a free, half-day workshop for parents on September 18 at the University of Nebraska at Kearney. The workshop will provide practical information and resources for parents who have children who struggle with learning.

The workshop will feature a discussion about the signs of dyslexia and where to get help by retired pediatrician Dr. Eileen Vautravers, a Kearney native who took special interest in learning disabilities in her practice.

A panel of experts who are Kearney area educators and school administrators will provide advice to parents about where to seek assistance and answer questions about resources that are available for students who have learning difficulties.

The workshop is co-sponsored by the University of Nebraska-Kearney College of Education.

Saturday, September 18
When Your Child Struggles with Reading and...
8:30 am to 12:30 pm
University of Nebraska at Kearney
Ockinga Seminar Center

Workshop details are available in the "Parent Training" section at www.ne-ida.com.

Parents and community members are invited to attend a fundraising reception hosted by the *Friends of Nebraska Dyslexia Association* the evening before the workshop on September 17 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm at the Alumni House on the University of Nebraska's Kearney campus. Charitable donations to FONDA support the activities of *The Nebraska Branch of The International Dyslexia Association*.

The mission of The Nebraska Branch of The International Dyslexia Association (www.ne-ida.com) is to improve educational opportunities for students with reading, writing and spelling deficits; promote education of teachers in research-based approaches to reading instruction; work with teacher education providers to require research-based training for teacher certification; and provide information and support to parents and the public on reading problems.

The vision of the Friends of Nebraska Dyslexia Association (FONDA) is to empower children with the skills they need to read and succeed. FONDA is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) charitable organization solely formed to support the activities and initiatives of The Nebraska Branch of The International Dyslexia Association (www.ne-ida.com), a 501(c)(3) charitable organization.