

**Coaching and Literacy Leadership Retreat
Margaritaville Lake Resort | Lake Conroe, Texas
June 28 - July 1, 2026**

Opening Reception

Coaching and Literacy Leadership | Arrival & Welcome Experience

Dr. Ingrid Haynes & Dr. Delilah Davis

Sunday, June 28, 2026 | 3:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Location: Lakeview Room (2nd Floor)

Check-in hotel: 3:00 PM

Welcome, “Nacho” Average Leadership Bar & Networking: 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM

Participants will receive a retreat t-shirt and NLI materials during the reception.

“Saddle up, partners! The best teachers don't just follow the trail—they blaze it.”

Wear Your Best Western Outfit

Dust off your boots, grab your cowboy hat, and show us your best Western-inspired look! The participant with the best outfit will ride away with a special door prize.

Teacher Trap Bingo & Live DJ

Get ready for an evening of music, laughter, and friendly competition. You never know who'll yell "BINGO!" first.

Bring Your Laughter & Love of Literacy

Tonight is all about building connections, celebrating successes, and kicking off an unforgettable retreat experience.

RETREAT

R – Release what weighs you down.

E – Encourage yourself and others.

T – Trust the process.

R – Recharge your mind and heart.

E – Embrace moments of growth.

A – Acknowledge your impact.

T – Triumph through every season.

The Weight We Carry: Honoring the responsibilities we bear while finding strength, support, and renewal together.

Day 1

Coaching and Literacy Leadership | Building Capacity to Support Teachers

Dr. Ingrid Haynes

Monday, June 29, 2026 | 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Location: Lakeview Room (2nd Floor)

Sunrise Fitness - Cardio + Confidence: 7:30 AM to 8:00 AM (Location - Palm Court Complex)
Start the day with an energizing low-impact cardio session designed to boost stamina, mood, and focus.

Breakfast: 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Welcome Opening, House Keeping, and Ring Ceremony: 9:00 AM – 9:30 AM

Keynote (Dr. Ingrid Haynes): 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM

The Weight We Carry: A Leadership Keynote for Literacy Leaders, Coaches, and Administrators

Morning Learning Session: 10:30 AM – 11:45 AM:

- *Getting a Clear Picture of Reality* - Leaders will examine how to assess the current state of literacy instruction, student outcomes, and system practices. This session helps leaders identify gaps, patterns, and priorities before creating an improvement plan.
- *The Role of the Coach* - Leaders will explore how coaching supports teacher growth, instructional consistency, and implementation of evidence-aligned practices. The session focuses on the coach as a partner, guide, and capacity-builder rather than an evaluator.
- *LEAD Framework* - Leaders will use the LEAD Framework to connect literacy instruction, explicit practices, aligned supports, and data-informed decision-making. This session provides a leadership lens for building strong, sustainable literacy systems.
- *Science of Reading Overview* - Leaders will review the research behind how students learn to read and what that means for instruction, intervention, and schoolwide systems. The session highlights key concepts leaders need to guide literacy decisions and support teachers effectively.

Lunch: 11:45 AM to 12:45 PM (Lunch On Your Own)

LandShark Bar & Grill, License to Chill Cafe & Bar, Joe Merchant's Coffee & Provision, Playin' A Round Cafe or Lone Palm Pool Bar

Afternoon Collaboration Session: 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

The Five Components of Literacy Instruction (**Science of Reading - Elementary & Secondary**)

Participants will continue to examine the five essential components of reading and how they should appear in effective classroom instruction. This session supports leaders in identifying evidence-aligned literacy practices and guiding instructional improvement.

Evening Experience:

Jolly Mon Waterpark Experience & 5 o'Clock Somewhere Bar

Day 2

Coaching and Literacy Leadership | Building Literacy Knowledge

Dr. Delilah Davis

Tuesday, June 30, 2026 | 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Location: Lakeview Room (2nd Floor)

Sunrise Fitness - Cardio + Confidence: 7:30 AM to 8:00 AM

(Location - Palm Court Complex)

Movement meets nutrition with light fitness and practical meal prep ideas for busy professionals.

Breakfast: 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM

Morning Learning Session: 9:00 AM to 11:45 AM

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Afternoon Keynote Session: 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM

Making the Science of Reading Work for Kids Who Can't Sit Still (and Shouldn't Have To)

Keynote: Dr. Chase Young

Biography: Dr. Chase Young is a literacy researcher, professor, author, and educator known for making reading instruction practical, engaging, and research-driven. He is the author of several influential professional books, including *Artfully Teaching the Science of Reading*, *Artfully Teaching Reading with Project-Based Learning*, and *Build Reading Fluency*. His work focuses on reading fluency, literacy interventions, active learning, and classroom practices that bridge the science and art of teaching. He also serves as an editor for *Reading Research Quarterly*, one of the leading journals in literacy research. His work has been recognized by the International Literacy Association (ILA) and the Association of Literacy Educators and Researchers (ALER) through multiple professional awards for scholarly contributions and impact in literacy education. He's on a mission to make literacy instruction effective enough to matter and engaging enough that kids actually enjoy it.

Session Description: Grounded in the Science of Reading, this presentation shows how movement, engagement, talk, and active learning are not distractions, but essential components of engaging students in literacy. Participants will explore practical strategies that turn foundational skills instruction into dynamic experiences that support all learners, especially those who thrive when learning is active, social, and meaningful.

Afternoon Collaboration Session: 2:30 PM to 3:30 PM
Structured Literacy Practices for All Grade Levels

Participants will explore how explicit, systematic, and cumulative literacy instruction supports students across grade levels. The session focuses on what leaders should look for, support, and coach during implementation.

The Why, What and How of MTSS

Participants will examine MTSS as a system for improving literacy, behavior, attendance, SEL, and family engagement outcomes. This session focuses on using data, tiered supports, and leadership routines to strengthen student support systems.

Evening Experience:

Kintsugi - 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Day 3

Coaching and Literacy Leadership | Coaching for Engagement, Growth and Sustainability

Dr. Ingrid Haynes & Dr. Delilah Davis

Wednesday, July 1, 2026 | 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location: Lakeview Room (2nd Floor)

Sunrise Fitness - Cardio + Confidence: 7:30 AM to 8:00 AM (Location - Palm Court Complex)

Restore the body and sharpen the mind through guided stretching, breathing, and motivation.

Breakfast: 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Closing Leadership Institute: 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

MTSS Design Lab Implementation Presentations

Leaders will present their MTSS implementation plans and receive feedback to refine next steps. This closing session emphasizes coaching, sustainability, and building systems that continue beyond the institute.