

Join our
**LITERACY
SPEAKER
SERIES**

featuring
Dr. Bill McBride



Dr. Bill McBride is most well-known for his novel, *Entertaining an Elephant*, but he has also published *Carrying a Load of Feathers*, *Building Literacy in Social Studies*, the *Reading Toolkits for Social Studies* and *If They Can Argue Well, They Can Write Well*, which shows teachers how to use classroom debate to teach internet research, critical thinking, and argumentative writing. Dr. McBride holds a Masters in Reading and a Ph.D. in Curriculum and Instruction from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.



USING SIMPLE DEBATE TO TEACH THE ARGUMENTATIVE ESSAY

Date: March 16th | 1:30 – 3:30

Audience: MCLAC Literacy Leaders or designees only

Cost: This workshop is being provided by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt at no cost to participants.

Register: www.mciu.org/register, use search term 'MCLAC'

If teenagers love to argue, then why aren't we using this as a springboard to teach them to write persuasively? In this interactive workshop, Literacy Leaders will learn to use this natural "resource" to teach students to argue intelligently with well-supported arguments—exactly what the new PA Core State Standards require. A variety of media, such as PSAs, television newscasts and editorials will be explored.

VOCABULARY DEVELOPMENT: TURNING WORD LOSERS INTO WORD LOVERS

Date: March 16th | 4:30 – 6:30

Location: Tri-County Reading Council Spring Literacy Event

Audience: All K-12 Teachers and Administrators

Cost: \$15 for Tri-County Members and Students | \$18 for non-members

Register: www.tricountyreadingcouncil.webs.com

This workshop will provide teachers with an understanding of what it means to "know" a word, what doesn't work with students in developing vocabulary, and which effective strategies increase a student's word power. A number of strategies will be modeled, including Janet Allan's "Predicting ABCs", Spencer Kagan's "Sage and Scribe", Stahl's "Affix List", McBride's "Word Part Game", Beck's "Knowledge Rating", and Marzano's "Word Map".

QUESTIONS?

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