CORE Learning Named to California's Approved List of Literacy Professional Development Providers

Elementary Reading Academy and Online Language & Literacy Academy approved under California Education Code Section 33319.6

SAN FRANCISCO , CA, UNITED STATES, September 17, 2026 / EINPresswire.com/ -- CORE Learning, a literacy-focused professional learning organization serving PK-12 educators nationwide, announced today that two of its flagship programs have been named to California's official list of approved literacy professional development providers.

Under Assembly Bill 121 (Statutes of 2025), the California Department of Education (CDE) and State Board of Education (SBE) developed an approved list of in-service professional development programs for teaching literacy in transitional kindergarten through grade five (TK-5). The initiative, authorized under Education Code Section 33319.6, will guide how the state's $200 million in literacy PD funding is used by local educational agencies (LEAs) between the 2026-27 and 2029-30 fiscal years.

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> *Dale Webster, President of CORE Learning.*

CORE Learning's Elementary Reading Academy (ERA) and Online Language & Literacy Academy - Elementary (OL&LA-E), both paired with coaching and site implementation support, are included on the SBE-approved list.

"For more than three decades, CORE Learning has partnered with schools and districts to turn literacy initiatives into literacy systems," said Dale Webster, President of CORE Learning. "Being named to California's approved list affirms what we've long believed: that lasting literacy outcomes come from professional learning that's

evidence-based, sustained, and built for real classrooms. We're proud to support California's TK-5 educators as they bring the Science of Reading to life for every student."

CORE Learning's programs are grounded in structured literacy practices and designed to build long-term instructional capacity at the classroom, school, and system level. Districts across California and the country turn to CORE Learning for professional learning that combines rigorous content with coaching and implementation support, helping educators translate research into daily practice.

Local educational agencies can now use state literacy PD funding to bring CORE Learning's approved programs into their district and site implementation plans.

For more information about CORE Learning's literacy professional development offerings, contact info@corelearn.com.

About CORE Learning
CORE Learning is a literacy-focused PK-12 professional learning organization that partners with schools and districts to build the systems, skills, and sustained support that turn literacy initiatives into lasting literacy systems. Grounded in the Science of Reading and language development, CORE Learning's programs build long-term instructional capacity at the classroom, school, and system level, equipping educators and leaders to improve literacy outcomes for every student.

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