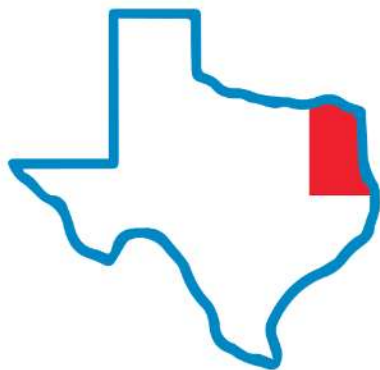




TX REGIONAL LITERACY SYMPOSIUM EAST TEXAS



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2026
MAUDE COBB CONVENTION CENTER

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8:00 AM – 8:15 AM **CHECK-IN** for pre-registered attendees, breakfast
West Hall

8:15 AM – 8:25 AM **LITERACY TEXAS WELCOME**
West Hall Katie Welch, Ph.D., Literacy Texas

8:25 AM – 8:40 AM **“Together for Literacy” – The Literacy Ecosystem (0.25 hours PD)**
West Hall Katie Welch, Ph.D., Literacy Texas

8:40 AM – 8:50 AM **REGIONAL HOST WELCOME**
West Hall Dr. Cynthia Kilpatrick, Literacy ConneXus

8:50 AM – 9:05 AM **“Regional Asset Mapping” – The Local Ecosystem (0.25 hours PD)**
West Hall Katie Welch, Ph.D., Literacy Texas

9:10 AM – 10:40 AM **BREAKOUT SESSION #1 (1.5 hours PD)**

Robbins **The FREE Texas Digital Literacy Toolkit**
Gareth Wingfield, TCALL

Killingsworth **Silence Is Not Golden: Creating Questions That Get Students Talking**
Dr. Cynthia Kilpatrick, Literacy ConneXus

10:55 AM – 12:25 PM **BREAKOUT SESSION #2 (1.5 hours PD)**

Robbins **AI and Math Instruction**
Gareth Wingfield, TCALL

Killingsworth **Bouncing Back: Creating a Culture of Resilience in Your Classroom**
Katie Welch, Ph.D., Literacy Texas

12:35 PM – 1:45 PM **WORKING LUNCH + PANEL DISCUSSION (1 hour PD)**

West Hall **“Connecting the Dots: Adult Literacy & Workforce Development in the East Texas Area”**

Brent McLemore (MODERATOR)

Charmyn Tumey, MBA, Texas Career Pathways Professional Development Center

Cindy King, Christian Women’s Job Corps of Rusk County

1:50 PM – 2:10 PM **“The 20-Minute Mission” – Meet the Exhibitors**

West Hall Katie Welch, Ph.D., Literacy Texas

Exhibitors (see list below)

2:15 PM – 3:15 PM **“Your Move” – Action Planning (1 hour PD)**

West Hall Dr. Kippie Hartcraft, Texarkana College Adult Education and Literacy

Katie Welch, Ph.D., Literacy Texas

3:15 PM **FAREWELL, door prizes**

West Hall

Exhibitors at this symposium:

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