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Wisconsin Branch of the  
International Dyslexia Association  
Annual Meeting  
Madison Area Technical College  
October 17, 2009

**Presenting:**

*Leaving Johnny Behind:*  
*Overcoming Barriers to Literacy and Reclaiming At-Risk Readers*  
&

*Learning to Achieve:*  
*A Research-Based Training on Serving Adults with Learning Disabilities*

**Cost:** There is no charge to attend, but registration is required: [www.wibida.org](http://www.wibida.org)

**Non-members:** Please join IDA and support our Vision: **All individuals reading**

**Lunch for all attendees:** On your own **OR** \$10 for "Lunch for Language" on-site Chili Buffet

**8:30-9:00** Check-in and Refreshments

**9:00-9:30** Annual Meeting (elections and general updates)

**9:30-11:00** Anthony Pedriana, author of *Leaving Johnny Behind: Overcoming Barriers to Literacy and Reclaiming At-Risk Readers*

"*Leaving Johnny Behind* is a gift to anyone who desires to understand why so many of our most vulnerable citizens—our children—struggle to learn to read, and why we, as a country, have let them down."

~Dr. G. Reid Lyon, former branch chief, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development

Copies of *Leaving Johnny Behind* will be available for purchase. Mr. Pedriana will be happy to sign your copy. Proceeds from the sale of *Leaving Johnny Behind* will be donated to "Reach Out and Read," a pediatric organization that donates books to low income families and addresses literacy as a regular part of pediatric care.

**11:00-12:00** WIBIDA Committee Presentations

**12:00-1:00** Lunch on your own or Join us for "**Lunch for Language**"

"**Lunch for Language**" is a fun way to fill your tummy and contribute to WIBIDA's many activities. For \$10, you can enjoy a Chili Buffet lunch complete with a beverage, dessert, crackers and rolls in the convenience of the conference site. To take part in "Lunch for Language," you must submit payment prior to **October 10th**.

**1:00-5:00** *Learning to Achieve: A Research-Based Training on Serving Adults with Learning Disabilities* presented by Georgia Weier and Layla Coleman from WIBIDA and Wisconsin Literacy, Inc.

This four-hour training will provide a comprehensive overview of how instructors and tutors can most effectively serve adults with learning disabilities. Although the practices and techniques of this training were generated by the National Institute for Literacy for those supporting adults with learning disabilities, they serve as best practices for all students and all adult educators would benefit from this program. The five modules highlighted during this training include Legal Issues, Self-Determination, Instructional Tutoring, Content Learning and Accommodations.

*Hosted by Madison Area Technical College*