

# Comprehensive Literacy State Development Grant Literacy Lead Agency Project Overview



## **Statewide Literacy Priority: Priority 5**

Grades six through twelve programs that build teacher capacity across disciplines for literacy instruction, including peer to peer coaching models.

**Literacy Lead Agency:** Butte County Office of Education (COE)

**Consortium Members:** Plumas COE, Shasta COE, and Modoc COE

**Partner Organization:** Center for Applied Special Technology

**Project Name:** The Far North Literacy Development Consortium (FNLDC)

**Project Overview:** The FNLDC focuses on Universal Design for Learning (UDL) to build teacher capacity for literacy instruction across disciplines. The FNLDC uses UDL to “establish a shared set of expectations, experiences, and a common language for molding and shaping an instructional approach.” Key activities include:

- Providing professional learning focused on UDL, including but not limited to the creation of professional learning communities, providing opportunities to earn micro-credentials in UDL, providing access to deep dive modules, annual symposiums, guest speaker series, lesson design studios, and a final culmination summit.
- Developing committees that focus on family engagement, including planning interactive literacy nights.
- Maintaining a web page to house resources to share beyond the life of the grant.

Overall, the FNLDC helps teachers intentionally plan lessons, choose materials, and improve instructional practice in a way that mitigates or removes barriers to meet the needs of all learners. Teachers empower students by valuing their voice and choice, which improves engagement. A focus on family literacy helps the community understand the importance of developing literacy skills.

The FNLDC is working with the following districts:

- Biggs Unified School District (USD), which includes Biggs Elementary and High School
- Plumas USD, which includes Chester Junior/Senior High School, Greenville Junior/Senior High School, Quincy Junior/Senior High School, and Portola Junior/Senior High School
- Happy Valley Elementary School District

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Resources related to this project can be found on the California Educators Together web page at: <https://www.caeducatorstogether.org/groups/iveyntiu/clsd-priority-5-far-north-literacy-development>