You won’t want to miss this learning opportunity! Through the Reading Now Network, west Michigan’s area education service agencies are hosting the West Michigan Early Literacy Leadership Symposium, featuring Dr. Richard Allington! Dr. Allington will share his research on Summer Reading Loss and the importance of strong classroom libraries. Participants will also receive an overview and learn how to implement the “Five Key Findings” highlighted by the Reading Now Network along with Instructional and School-Wide Essentials in Early Literacy.

Join us on

**Wednesday, March 8, 2017 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.**

**Western Michigan University’s Bernhard Center**

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For questions about the Symposium, please contact Chris Martin, Berrien RESA’s Early Literacy Consultant at [chris.martin@berrienresa.org](mailto:chris.martin@berrienresa.org)

Symposium participants will have the opportunity to differentiate their learning by selecting breakout sessions that are most appropriate for them. During the breakouts, attendees will:

- Review and understand the Early Literacy Essentials
- Understand the findings of the Reading Now Network
- Collaborate and network with other literacy leaders who are in similar demographic areas/situations
- Create an action plan for improving literacy in their school

**Who Should Attend?**

Administrators, Literacy Coaches and Teacher Leaders throughout Michigan!

**SCECHs are available.**

Registration fee is $50. Breakfast and lunch are included!