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HOW TO TEACH CHILDREN TO READ WELL TOPIC OF UCSB SYMPOSIUM

National experts on reading and literacy will speak at an all day "Literacy Symposium" on Thursday, Oct. 29, at the University of California, Santa Barbara Corwin Pavilion.

Beginning at 8 a.m., national and regional educators will present their perspectives on effective literacy instruction. Featured speakers will be: Catherine E. Snow, Harvard University professor of education, who chaired the National Academy of Sciences committee on the prevention of reading difficulties; Janice Dole, associate professor of education at the University of Utah, Salt Lake City, who will discuss the importance of the teacher in the prevention of reading difficulties; and Margarita Calderón, research scientist at Johns Hopkins University's Center for Research on Education for Students Placed at Risk, who will address quality instructions for diverse student populations. The afternoon session will focus on developing a literacy program to be implemented by UCSB's Gevirtz Research Center.

Sponsor of the symposium, the Gevirtz Research Center Committed to Outreach for Educational Excellence, is a unique university/K-12 partnership that develops innovative educational programs based on the latest research, implements them in local schools, then researches their impact on student achievement.

The public may call (805) 893-7905 or (805) 893-5350 for reservation information.

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