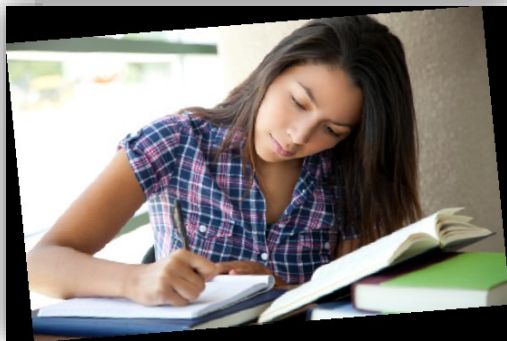


# Brownsville Extension Office



## Literacy Academy Targeting ELL Students— Be a Literacy STAAR!



The ELL Literacy STAAR Academy is comprised of two ongoing training sessions targeting the skills ELL students need to develop in order to become self-directed, critical readers. Day 1 focuses on meaningful discussions in the ELAR classroom targeting English Language Learners language acquisition and content knowledge. Teachers will be provided with activities that will engage their students in thinking and deep conversations. Day 2 focuses on thematic units in the ELAR classroom. English Language Learners struggle to make real connections in and across texts they read. By creating thematic units, teachers can help ELLs make those connections and build deeper meaning in their reading and writing. Teachers will learn how to create a thematic unit that centers on universal themes that carry across different texts and genres.

### ***ELL Literacy Academy Workshop # 65256***

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#### **Session Dates and Titles:**



**DAY 1—November 7, 2017**  
**Meaningful Discussions in the ELAR Classroom**

**DAY 2 — January 16, 2018**  
**Thematic Units in the ELAR Classroom**

**Both sessions will be held at the**  
**Brownsville Events Center**  
**1 Events Center | Brownsville, Texas 78520**  
**8:30 AM - 3:30 PM**

**Audience:**  
**English Language Arts Teachers, Reading Teachers,**  
**Bilingual & ESL Teachers**