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Sold a Story: How Teaching Reading Went Awry

Thursday, October 12, 2023 | 8:30 AM to 11:00 AM

Lincoln Auditorium | Idaho State Capitol

GOALS:

- Understand what has gone wrong in how schools across the country teach students to read, and learn what is being done to correct this.
- Understand the challenges that have faced public schools nationally and within Idaho; and how Idaho's public schools can correct course.
- Hear from Idaho's State Superintendent Debbie Critchfield about her plan for leading Idaho into a better future when it comes to literacy and reading.

Event Agenda

8:30-8:35 am:	**Introduction & Welcome** Terry Ryan, Bluum
8:35-9:50 am:	**Sold a Story, Q&A** Presented by: Emily Hanford Moderated by: Jennifer Swindell, Idaho Ed News
9:55-10:45 am:	**Tales of Trouble & Turnaround: Stories from Frontline Idaho Educators** Panel with Educators: Anthony Haskett and Andy Johnson Moderated by: Alan Gottlieb, Education Journalist
10:45-11:00 am:	**Action Plan to Improve Reading Instruction for Idaho's Kids** Remarks by: Governor Brad Little and Superintendent of Public Instruction Debbie Critchfield

About Our Nationally Recognized Speaker

Emily Hanford

Emily Hanford has been working in public media for more than two decades as a reporter, producer, editor, news director and program host. Her work has won numerous honors including a duPont-Columbia University Award and a Casey Medal. In 2017, she won the Excellence in Media Reporting on Education Research Award from the American Educational Research Association. Her groundbreaking podcast episode Hard Words, on why children aren't being taught to read, was a winner of the inaugural Public Service award from EWA in 2019. Emily is a member of the EWA Journalist Advisory Board and a longtime mentor for EWA's "new to the beat" program. She is a frequent speaker and moderator. Emily is based in the Washington, D.C. area. She is a graduate of Amherst College.