

The Northwest Montana Reading Council presents

Join us in celebrating
50 years of the
conference!

The BACK-TO-SCHOOL LITERACY CONFERENCE

August 13, 2025 ♦ Flathead High School ♦ 8:15AM to 3:30 PM

Featuring

DEBORAH APPLEMAN

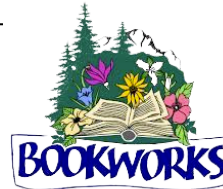
KEYNOTE ADDRESS 8:30 - 10:20 AM

Deborah Appleman is the Hollis L. Caswell Professor of educational studies and director of The Summer Writing Program at Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota. She has been a visiting professor at Syracuse University and at the University of California-Berkeley. She teaches literature and creative writing classes regularly at a high-security men's prison in Minnesota. Ms. Appleman will focus her keynote entitled "Finding Community in Critical Conversations about Literature" on her recent work around community and the value of a reasoned approach to determine what literature we value, teach, and discuss at all levels of education. Deborah will offer a breakout session on teaching literature to adolescents and another session, guaranteed to be interesting to teachers of all levels, about her experiences teaching literature in prison and the many lessons that she has learned in the process.



PROFESSOR. WRITER. SPEAKER.
PRISON TEACHER.

Bookworks in Whitefish will attend with books from the sessions and other educational resources for sale.



\$40 FULL CONFERENCE

FREE WITH A STUDENT ID

- If your district pays registration fees and is a user of PIR Net, please register only on PIR Net.
- All others, fill out this form and mail it before **August 1** with payment or a valid District Purchase Order to:

Northwest Montana Reading Council
c/o Megan Koppes
608 Kingfisher Lane
Kalispell, MT 59901

Name _____ District _____

Home Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home/Cell Phone _____ Home Email _____

PAYMENT

\$40.00 full day (includes lunch) if received **by August 1st** \$50.00 full day (includes lunch) if received **after August 1st**

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