# August 2016 M4RA News 4 You Upcoming Training

**Dear Friends,**

We wanted to send you our recently scheduled training so you can plan ahead for the beginning of the school year. We will update you as more trainings are scheduled.

**Remember:** All M4RA Trainings are provided at **no cost** to the school/organization & each building receives **2 free M4RA Resource Guide Books**.

**Upcoming M4RA Instruction Sessions #1:**

The M4RA Mentoring Instruction Session #1 is the initial session to learn about the M4RA mentoring program. During this professional development, participants will be instructed on the research and value of 1:1 reading mentoring for students with disabilities and students at-risk for reading failure. Participants will learn ways to involve the community, parents, and school peers to help students improve their reading and self-confidence. Administrators are encouraged to attend along with those chosen to coordinate/help plan the beginnings of mentoring in their school(s) and/or organization. Attendees will receive 6 contact hours.

**Goals:** Attendees will gain an understanding and functional knowledge to implement a 1:1 reading mentoring program.

**Objectives:** Attendees will:

- be instructed in the overview of M4RA and www.Readinga-z.com.
- be given ideas about how to select, assess and track students.
- learn about www.Readinga-z.com materials including Alphabet, Phonological Awareness, Phonics, High Frequency Words, Comprehension and Fluency/Comprehension Packs.
- be instructed how to make and use individualized lesson plans that correlate to the needs and pace of each student.
- be instructed about ideas for recruiting mentors and how to train mentors by Role Playing a mentoring session.
- be shown ideas to spread information about its Mentoring Program to teachers, parents, administrators, school board, and community members.
- be instructed how to use the www.M4RA.org and www.Readinga-z.com websites.

**->Wednesday, August 24th, 2016** at the Old Worthington Library, OWL Meeting Room, 820 High Street, Worthington, OH 43085. Old Worthington Library is situated in Old Worthington, one block north of the intersection of High Street and Dublin-Granville Road (US-23 and OH-161).

9:15-9:30 Registration

9:30-3:30 M4RA Reading Mentoring Instruction: Session #1

- Please bring a packed lunch for the 30 minute working lunch.
- Please bring your own beverages.

**To register**: email Debby Ambroza at debby.ambroza@m4ra.org by <mark>August 17th, 2016</mark> to reserve your space. Please send names, school districts/organizations, and positions. Also, send a contact cell/home number in case there are any last minute changes.

**Best wishes for a restorative summer,**

**Debby & Amy**
**Debby Ambroza & Amy Freeman**

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