

New York Library Association 2013 Annual Conference



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New York's Early Literacy Plan and You

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Ready to Read at New York Libraries





Creating the Future:
A 2020 Vision and Plan
for Library Service in New York State
Recommendations of the New York State
Regents Advisory Council on Libraries to the
New York State Board of Regents



 University of the State of New York
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Albany, New York

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One of Seven Recommendations....

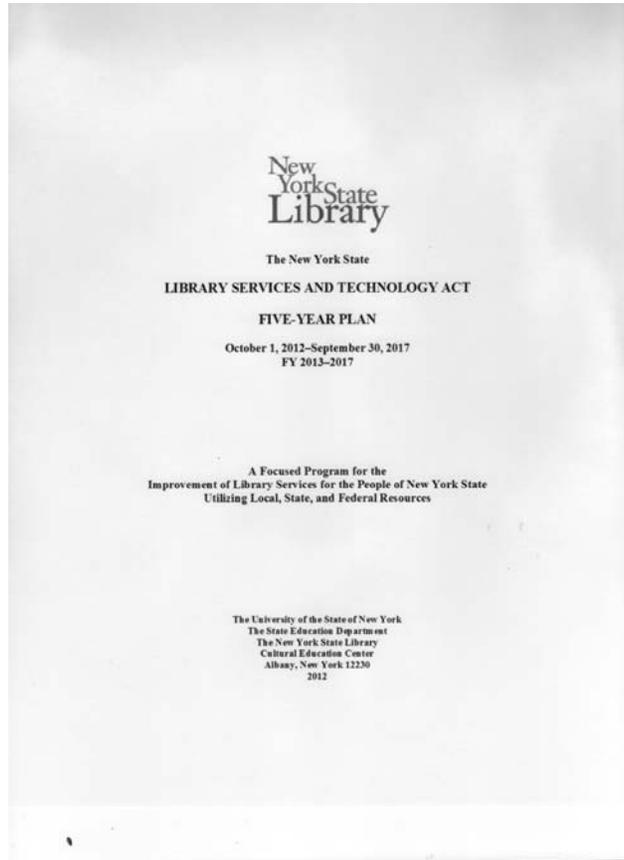


“The provision of robust early childhood education programs and provision of homework assistance as a core service...”

www.nysl.nysed.gov/libdev/adviscns/rac/2020final/#publiclibraries



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Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Five Year Plan 2013-17

[http://www.ims.gov/assets/1/AssetMa
nager/NYplan2012.pdf](http://www.ims.gov/assets/1/AssetManager/NYplan2012.pdf)



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Specific Recommendations....



-Provision of robust early childhood education programs



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-Strengthen partnerships that enable public libraries to assist young families and childcare providers in fostering early literacy skills for all the children in New York with specific mandate for

Training Partnerships



Early Literacy Initiative Institute of Museum and Library Service (IMLS) *Growing Young Minds*



http://www.imls.gov/assets/1/workflow_staging/AssetManager/3574.PDF



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Ways That Public Libraries Can Impact Early Learning



- Increase **high quality learning experiences**
- Engage and support families in role as **first teacher**
- Support development by **early literacy and STEM experiences**
- Position children for success in meeting **Core State Standards**
- Leverage **Community Partnerships**
- Add Capacity to **Early Learning Networks**



Research Phases



- **Best Practices State Library Early Literacy Programs**
- **National Best Program Practices**
- **Statewide Online Survey**
- **Focus Groups**
- **Regional Public Library Youth Services Coordinator Feedback**



Other State Library Early Literacy Initiatives



Colorado
Oregon
California
Utah
Virginia
Idaho
Vermont
Ohio
Indiana
Arizona
Pennsylvania
Washington

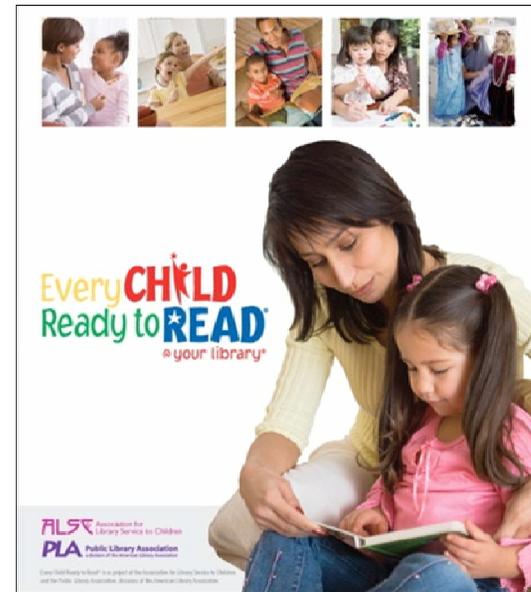




Every Child Ready to Read @ your library (ECRR)

<http://everychildreadytoread.org/>

Parent and Caregiver Education with *Every Child Ready to Read @ your library* (2 editions)



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Family Place Libraries

<http://www.familyplacelibraries.org/>



Public Space

Coaching

Play



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Mother Goose on the Loose

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Storytime



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Key Findings and Recommendations



Begin with Evaluation

ECRR model for Parent /Caregiver Education

Public Spaces

Partnerships

Train the Trainer Model



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Outcome Based Evaluation at Onset of Training Plan Development



- Oregon's *Ready to Learn* universal library card

<http://www.oregon.gov/OSL/LD/LSTA/2013/13-09-4pfull.pdf>

- Utah's Humanities Council Partnership

<http://utahkidsreadytoread.org/webquest/index.shtml>

- Washington Storytime Control/Experimental Group Study



Parent/Caregiver Education



Virginia's Day by Day Literacy Calendar
www.daybydayva.org

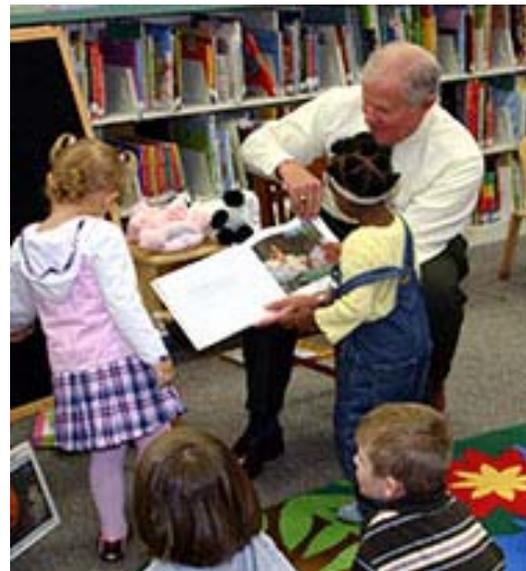
Ohio Workshop Kits

Colorado's Storyblocks
www.storyblocks.org



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Public Spaces



Arizona State Library

California's Play and Learn Islands

Early Literacy Activity Centers in Baltimore and Virginia

<http://valibraries.lva.virginia.gov/ELAC/index.html>

Washington State's Vancouver PL



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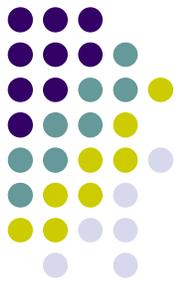
Outreach



- **Idaho's Route to Reading**
- **Arizona's ECRR in Navajo Nation**
- **Colorado's Supporting Parents in Early Literacy through Libraries (SPELL) IMLS planning grant**



Colorado's Outreach Research Preliminary Patterns in SPELL



- **Expectant Parents**
- **Sustained Effort over Time**
- **Active Involvement**
- **Partnerships**
- **Assessments**
- **Individual Attention and Trust**
- **Group Dynamic**
- **Cultural Proficiency**
- **Work Through Existing Infrastructures**
- **Fun or Gaming Element**
- **Parents' Knowledge Base and Existing Practices**
- **Parents' Attitudes**
- **Convenience and Accessibility**

<http://spellproject.weebly.com/>



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Partnerships



- **State Departments of Education with Early Learning Divisions**
- **Childcare Associations and Accreditation**
- **Local Foundations**
- **IMLS Leadership Grants**
- **Children's Museums**
- **Humanities Council and Center for Book**
- **Training Organizations**
- **Outreach with Head Start, Tribes, Spanish Speaking Community, Reach Out and Read, and other medical and public health programs**



Washington's Robust Partnerships



Vision

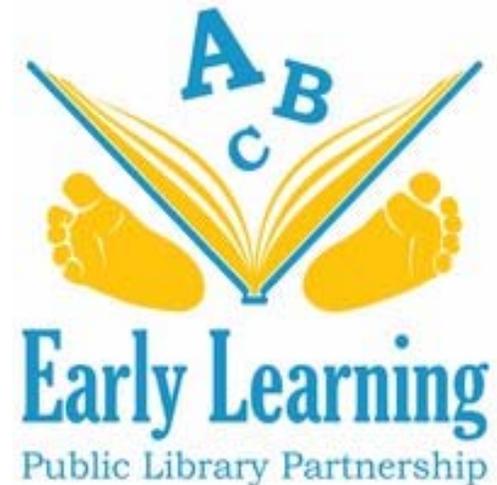
Public libraries are full, essential partners in the early learning movement in Washington State.

Mission

The Early Learning Public Library Partnership strengthens the ability of public libraries to fully participate in the advancement of early learning in Washington State.

Twenty-seven library partners representing over 300 libraries in Washington. Yearly symposium.

<http://earlylearning.org/about-us/early-learning-public-library-partnership>

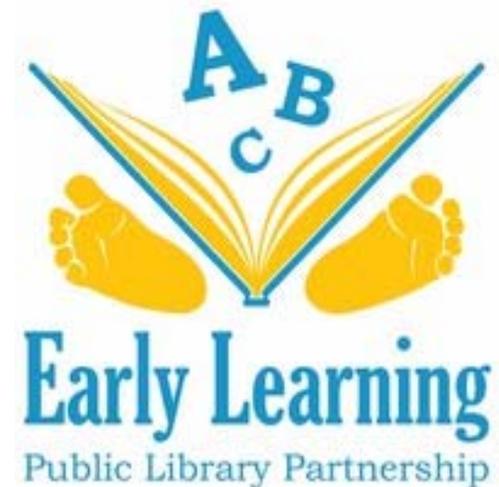


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Washington's Partners & Coalitions



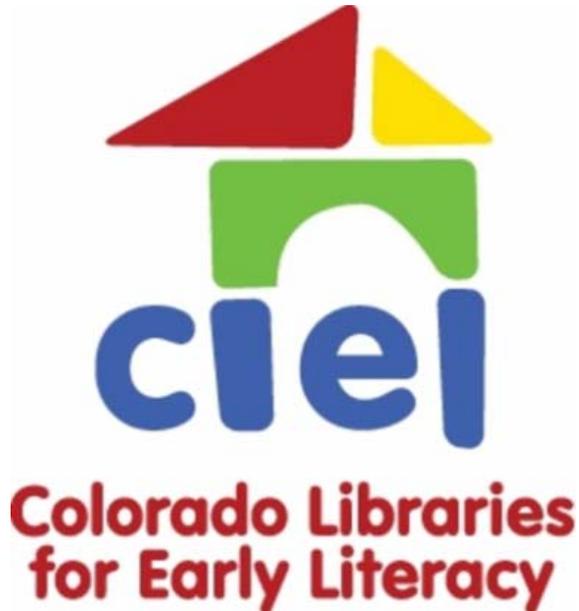
- [Casey Family Programs](#)
- [Center for Child and Family Well-Being](#)
- [Center for Pediatric Dentistry](#)
- [Children's Alliance](#)
- [Children's Trust Foundation](#)
- [Child Care Aware of Washington](#)
- [Childcare Resources](#)
- [Committee for Children](#)
- [Early Learning Action Alliance](#)
- [Early Learning Public Library Partnership \(ELPLP\)](#)
- [Philanthropy Northwest](#)
- [Potlatch Fund](#)
- [Seattle Early Education Collaborative \(SEEC\)](#)
- [Thrive by Five Washington](#)
- [United Ways of Washington](#)
- [Washington State Department of Early Learning](#)
- [WithinReach](#)





Train the Trainer Model

In January 2008, staff from more than a dozen Colorado public libraries and the Colorado State Library joined together and began working to develop a comprehensive approach to delivering and supporting early literacy services statewide.



www.clel.org

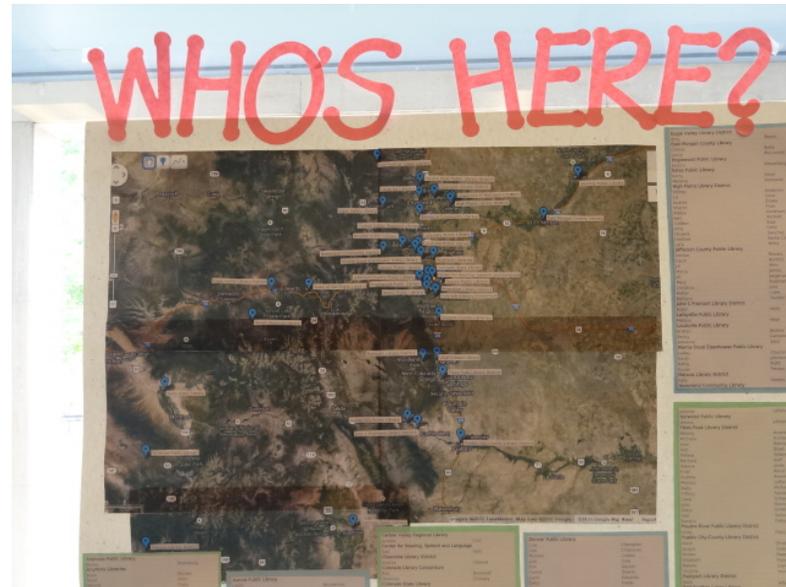


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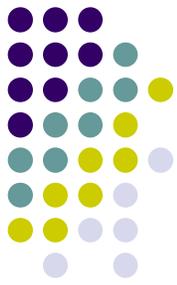
CLEEL Grassroots and Growing



- www.cleel.org
- StoryBlocks.org
- Training & Presentations
- IMLS Grant
- September Conference



Key Principles for *Ready to Read at New York Libraries*



Outcome Based

Funded

Range from small to large libraries

Strategic Partnerships

Advisory Committee

Range of Training including face to face



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Next Steps and Questions

