

LITERACY PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES CURRENTLY UNDERWAY IN INDEPENDENCE

FOR

Infants and Toddlers

1. Buchanan County "Books For Baby" (6 Libraries Assist)
2. Cable and IPTV Programming, such as "Reading Rainbow," "Sesame Street," "The Big Comfy Couch," "Wishbone"
3. Parenting Instruction, such as Bedtime Reading and Books for Homes Without Books

Preschool Age

1. Book Fairs (PTA Provided)
2. Cable and IPTV Programming, such as "Reading Rainbow," "Sesame Street," "The Big Comfy Couch," "Wishbone"
3. Eastern Iowa Reading Association (Support Books for Waiting Rooms of Medical Facilities)
4. Librarians Read To Preschoolers
5. Parenting Instruction, such as Bedtime Reading and Books for Homes Without Books
6. Reading Buddies in Schools – 3rd Graders Read To Preschoolers
7. Summer Reading Program for 3-12 Year Olds
8. Weekly Story Time

Elementary Age

1. Accelerated Reader for K-7
2. After School Program Initiated by Extension and Continued by Library, Schools, & Falcon Recreation (Monday-Thursday, 3-5 Grades, Funded By Decategorization Monies)
3. Book Fairs (PTA Provided)
4. Cable and IPTV Programming, such as "Reading Rainbow," "Sesame Street," "The Big Comfy Couch," "Wishbone"
5. Direct Reading Instruction for K-6
6. Eastern Iowa Reading Association (Support Books for Waiting Rooms of Medical Facilities)
7. Historical Society Education Programs at Area Schools
8. Mentoring Program – Adults Provide in Area Schools to Elementary Children
9. Pizza Hut "Book It"
10. Pizza Ranch (Individualized by Teacher)
11. Reading Buddies at St. John's 5th Grade

12. Reading Buddies in Schools – 3rd Graders Read to Preschoolers
13. Reading Partners in School For 1-2 Grades
14. Reading Recovery in 1st Grade (1-on-1 for 30 Minutes)
15. School Fieldtrips to Library
16. Subway Teacher Awards
17. Summer Reading Program for 3-12 Year Olds
18. Title 1 Reading Program (Supplements Classroom Instruction with Groups of 4)
19. Weekly Story Time

Middle School Age

1. Accelerated Reader for K-7
2. Book Fairs (PTA Provided)
3. Cable and IPTV Programming, such as "Reading Rainbow," "Sesame Street," "The Big Comfy Couch," "Wishbone"
4. Direct Reading Instruction for K-6
5. Email Reading Buddies between UNI and Public 6th Graders
6. Explore Reading for 7th Grade
7. Historical Society Education Programs at Area Schools

High School Age

1. Cable and IPTV Programming, such as "Reading Rainbow," "Sesame Street," "The Big Comfy Couch," "Wishbone"
2. Individualized Reading Course(s) for H.S.
3. Hawkeye Community College Adult Education and GED, including program at MHI
4. Hawkeye Community College Alternative High School
5. Historical Society Education Programs at Area Schools
6. Language Arts with Writing Course(s) at High School
7. Scholastic Book Orders for High School

College Age

1. Cable and IPTV Programming, such as "Reading Rainbow," "Sesame Street," "The Big Comfy Couch," "Wishbone," and college credit courses
2. Email Reading Buddies between UNI and Public 6th Graders
3. Hawkeye Community College GED and Adult Education, including program at MHI

Adult Learners

1. Cable and IPTV Programming, such as "Reading Rainbow," "Sesame Street," "The Big Comfy Couch," "Wishbone," and college credit courses
2. Chautauqua Literary Club
3. Church Book Exchanges
4. Eastern Iowa Reading Association (Support Books for Waiting Rooms of Medical Facilities)
5. Friends Of Library Book Sale
6. "Laces" Writer's Workshop
7. Ladies Literary Club
8. New Book Club
9. Parenting Instruction, such as Bedtime Reading and Books for Homes Without Books

"Special" Audiences

1. Books On Tape for the Visually Impaired
2. Eastern Iowa Reading Association (Support Books for Waiting Rooms of Medical Facilities)
3. Iowa Blind Library
4. Literary Club to Area Nursing Homes

WHO IS UNDER-SERVED?

Infants and Toddlers from Impoverished Circumstances
Middle School Age
Teen Parents
Children of "Disinterested" Parents
Exhausted Parents
Adults in Generally
Potentially "Illiterate" Adults
Adults from Impoverished Circumstances
Senior Citizens / Community Elders

WHAT OVERLAPS EXIST IN SERVICES OR GROUPS SERVED?

Consensus of the group was that any overlaps that MIGHT exist (none were specifically identified) represent a strength in service rather than an area of concern. Redundancy in literacy efforts is seen positively, as reinforcement.

IOWA STORIES 2000 LITERACY PROJECT IDEAS

❖ WITH POTENTIAL PARTNERS

School children record the oral histories of community elders

- ❖ Public and parochial schools, nursing homes, fraternal organizations, churches

Establish book clubs in area school

- ❖ Public and parochial schools, Chautauqua and Ladies Literary Clubs

Establish a school newspaper in middle school

- ❖ Public and parochial schools, Independence newspaper, including local reporters

School children conduct television news programs on Channel 1

- ❖ Public and parochial schools, public access television, KWWL or similar television organization

Establish an adult reading program with strategies to reach non-reading adults

- ❖ Medical facilities, Project Literacy US, AARP, School literacy programs