

1. Children begin learning early literacy skills at birth
2. Children with pre-reading skills are more likely to be on grade level in reading by the end of 2nd grade.
3. It teaches parents short activities that improve children's literacy skills.
4. These workshops help children realize that learning can be fun.
5. Stronger readers are more likely to graduate from high school on-time.
6. Our experienced trainers will give you the tools to help your child excel.
7. You get the opportunity to ask questions about how best to prepare your child to read.
8. Public libraries have a long history of helping children of all ages excel.
9. These classes create quality time between you and your child.
10. **You're the best role model for your child, and they learn best from you!**

## Pre-Register Today!

Call 770-836-6711 and ask for Mack or Liz to pre-register your family today!

Or just come to one of our workshops, and we can register you on the same day!

## Find Out More

Three great ways to find out more:

- Call us at 770-836-6711.
- E-mail us at [mack.freeman@wgrl.net](mailto:mack.freeman@wgrl.net).
- Stop by and ask for more information.

## Workshop Schedule

- **Douglas County Public Library (Douglasville):** January 13, 20, and 27
- **Warren P. Sewell Memorial Library of Bowdon:** February 10, 17, and 24
- **Maude P. Ragsdale Public Library (Hiram):** March 12, 19, and 26
- **Heard County Public Library (Franklin):** April 9, 16, and 23
- **Buchanan-Haralson Public Library:** April 28, May 5 and 12

**All workshops are from 5:30-7pm.**

Every **CHILD**  
Ready to **READ**  
@ your library®



## Who Should Come?

Anyone who has a child or cares for a child between birth and five years old can benefit from this training. That includes:

- Parents
- Grandparents
- Aunts and uncles
- Daycare employees
- Preschool teachers
- And all other caregivers!



## The Five Early Literacy Practices

 **Talking**

**Talking** helps children learn oral language and self-expression that is critical to brain development.

 **Singing**

**Singing** and rhyming increases sensitivity to words and sounds, helping children decode print.

 **Reading**

**Reading** together helps children with every literacy skill. It is the single best way to help them get ready to read.

 **Writing**

**Writing** helps children learn that letters and words stand for sounds and that print has meaning.

 **Playing**

**Playing** helps children learn about the world. It also helps children understand stories once they start to read.

## The Three Literacy Sessions

### Preparing Your Child to Read

A parent and caregiver workshop just for you. We will go over the skills that children need in order to be ready to read when they start school. *(Separate children's activities will be provided.)*

### Fun With Letters and Words

Learn how to use the five early literacy practices to build your child's vocabulary on their road to reading success.

### Fun With Math and Science

Math and science are key parts to ongoing literacy success. Learn how to prepare your child to excel in these areas!

### Whole Family Support

Although the skills that we will discuss at the Every Child Ready to Read workshops are specifically designed for children under the age of 5, children of all ages are welcome to attend.

During the parent workshop, separate activities for children will be offered by our wonderful children's staff.

**Food will be provided at each workshop.**