

Families and Literacy

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The goal of the Families and Literacy Committee of the WSRA is to develop and carry out plans which convey to parents the value of involvement in reading activities with children.

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Family Reading Fun

September is here and school is back in session. Help motivate your child to get back into the habit of reading by being a reading role model. Parents are a child's first teacher and many times children will imitate what they see their parents doing. Help encourage reading development by:

1. Reading aloud to your child often, even if he or she is an older child.
2. Don't hesitate to reread favorite books.
3. Model reading for fun and pleasure.

4. Turn a favorite book into a play by acting out the story with the family.

5. Have discussions about what you have read. How does what you have read connect to your life, other books you've read, or the world around you?

The more a child sees his or her parents reading, the more motivated the child will be to read.



Hot Topics

Response to Intervention (RtI)

One of the newest buzzwords you may hear this year is RtI. RtI is the new process for identifying Specific Learning Disabilities under IDEA legislation. If your child is struggling with learning, you may want to learn more about Response to Intervention and how the process is being implemented in your school. Check out www.wsra.org for more information on RtI.

Meet the Author

J. K. Rowling

J.K. Rowling is the author of the Harry Potter fantasy series. A Scottish born writer, Rowling has won multiple awards and sold over 325 million copies of her Harry Potter books world wide. The release of the final book in the series had people standing in lines at midnight to get their hands on a copy of Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows. Check out her official website at www.jkrowling.com

Literacy Tip

Writing is also an important part of literacy. Let your child see you write. Be a writing role model.