



North Carolina Parent Information and Resource Center Parent Partners E-PIC September 2007

This month we would like to share information and resources we have available on reading and literacy. We offer three workshops that last approximately one hour and can be scheduled by calling 1-800-962-6817 and asking for Rita at extension 39. Booklets, handouts, and materials can be ordered **free** for use with families at open houses, workshops or for your school's parent resource centers. It is quite easy to order materials, just call 1-800-962-6817 and ask for Cindy at extension 21 or email us at parentpartners@ecacmail.org. Please check out the excellent reading websites we have listed, along with our own informational website: www.ecac-parentcenter.org.

Reading workshops:

- ***Reading and Your Child***- outlines the skills that children need to become good readers and how it relates to important reading skills
- ***Helping a Child Who is an English Learner with Reading***- steps that Spanish-speaking families can take to help their children become better readers
- ***Reading is a Family Affair***- helps families create opportunities at home to provide positive interaction that will increase their child's reading achievement

Handouts and other resources:

- ***Literacy for All*** Packet- reading information for parents of children with/without disabilities
- ***Helping Your Child Become a Reader***- US Dept. of Education (also available in Spanish)
- ***A Guide for Parents, How Do I Know a Good Early Reading Program When I See One?*** (also available in Spanish)
- ***Big Dreams- A Family Book About Reading-Preschool through Grade 3***-National Institute for Literacy
- ***Put Reading First Helping Your Child Learn to Read- A Parent Guide Preschool through Grade 3***- National Institute for Literacy
- ***Reading Activity Packet for Elementary-Age Children***
- ***Reading Activity Packet for Middle School Students***
- ***Questions Parents Can Ask...About Reading Improvement***-specific questions to ask your child's teacher (also available in Spanish)
- ***Practical Ideas for Families***-adapted from The Texas Reading Initiative (also available in Spanish)
- ***Reading Toolkit for Elementary Students***
- ***Reading Toolkit for Middle and High School Students***
- ***Shining Stars Get Ready to Read*** (Toddlers, Preschool), ***Learn to Read*** (Kindergartners, First Graders, Second and Third Graders): National Institute for Literacy
- ***Dad's Playbook Coaching Kids to Read*** National Institute for Literacy

Internet Reading and Literacy resources:

- Reading Rockets <http://readingrockets.org>
- International Reading Association www.reading.org/resources/tools/parent.html
- Colorín Colorado <http://colorincolorado.org>
- American Library Association <http://www.ala.org/>
- National Institute for Literacy www.nifl.gov