


**ORDER: ACCEPT EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY
REPORT**

Motion was made by Chad McLarty, duly seconded by Jeff Busby, to accept Early Childhood Development Quarterly Report.

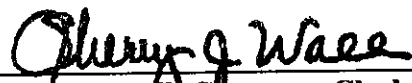
The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Kevin Frye, voted yes
Supervisor Jeff Busby, voted yes
Supervisor David Rikard, voted yes
Supervisor Chad McLarty, voted yes
Supervisor Mike Roberts, voted yes

After the vote, President Roberts declared the motion carried this the 18th day of November, 2019.



**Mike Roberts, President
Board of Supervisors**



Sherry Wall, Chancery Clerk

**Early Childhood and Reading Development Partnership with
Oxford School District-Lafayette County School District-City of Oxford-Lafayette County
Progress Report**

August 2019 - October 2019

Prepared by: Tamara Hillmer, Director of Early Childhood and Reading Development

A. PROJECT SUMMARY

The community partnership will build an Early Childhood and Reading Development Program in the Lafayette County and Oxford Community dedicated to ensuring that all children can read proficiently by the end of third grade. The Early Childhood and Reading Development Program will build and strengthen community partnerships in the areas of school readiness, school attendance, out of school learning opportunities, and children's health and wellness.

B. STATUS OF ACTIVITIES DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

August 2019	
Collaboration Partners for the Month:	
United Way of Oxford and Lafayette County	LOU Reads
Oxford School District (OSD)	Lafayette County School District (LCSD)
Mary Cathey Head Start (MCHS)	Willie Price Lab School (WPLS)
MS Department of Education (MDE)	Synergetics
Oxford Housing Authority	Oxford Police Department (OPD)
McDonald's	OSD Curriculum Department
Barksdale Reading Institute	
Activities/Events:	
Growing Healthy Minds, Bodies, and Communities Training for LOU ELC teachers (Aug 1)	
Promethean Panel Training for LOU ELC teachers at Lafayette Lower Elementary (Aug 6)	
Brigance and MKAS ² Fall Assessments were given throughout all the LOU ELC sites (Section E)	
Breakfast at the Bus Stop at CB Webb/Laurel Grove (Aug 12) We gave out McDonald's sausage biscuits and juice with OPD and the OSD Curriculum Department.	
LOU Reads Summer Coalition Meeting at the Chamber of Commerce (Aug 20)	
Out-of-School Time Coffee Hour Meeting at High Point (Aug 21)	
Literacy Bus at the Back to School Meeting at CB Webb (Aug 22) We gave out books and played games with children, while parents learned important information and received support from the OSD Curriculum Department.	
Professional Learning Community Meeting with MCHS (Aug 27)	
Parent Academy Training in Jackson at the Barksdale Reading Institute (Aug 30)	
Replenished Little Free Libraries (nine in the area)	

September 2019

Collaboration Partners for the Month:

United Way of Oxford and Lafayette County	LOU Reads
Oxford School District (OSD)	Lafayette County School District (LCSD)
Mary Cathey Head Start (MCHS)	Willie Price Lab School (WPLS)
MS Department of Education (MDE)	Oxford Housing Authority
Shiple's Donuts	Oxford Police Department (OPD)
Barksdale Reading Institute	OSD Curriculum Department
McLean Institute	National Campaign for Grade-Level Reading (CGLR)

Activities/Events:

Zachary Antonelli, McLean Institute VISTA worker, began working with ECRD/LOU Reads (Sept 3) He will work with LOU Reads to expand community knowledge and support, build sustainability, and recruit new members.

Brigance and MKAS² Fall Assessments were given throughout all the LOU ELC sites (Section E)

Professional Learning Community Meeting with LOU ELC Teachers (Sept 3)

Lead Partner Meeting with LOU ELC Administrators (Sept 4)

MS Reads One Book Planning Meeting with OSD and LCSD Administrators (Sept 6)

Professional Learning Community Meeting with MCHS (Sept 10)

Presented at the MS Literacy Summit in Jackson, MS (Sept 13-14)

Professional Learning Community Meeting with MCHS (Sept 17)

CGLR Webinar: Reframing the Conversation Around Family Engagement (Sept 17)

Breakfast at the Bus Stop at Wayne Johnson (Set 23)- We gave out Shipley's Donuts and juice with OPD and the OSD Curriculum Department.

Literacy Bus at the Back to School Meeting at Harmontown (Sept 25)- We gave out book to children. Parents and children met LCSD staff and learned important information about attending school.

Attended The MDE Family Connections Training at the Extension Office in Oxford (Sept 27)

OSD Late Start PD Days - Parents as Part of the Process: Engaging Families in Their Child's Education (Sept 30)

Replenished Little Free Libraries (nine in the area)

October 2019

Collaboration Partners for the Month:

United Way of Oxford and Lafayette County	LOU Reads
Oxford School District (OSD)	Lafayette County School District (LCSD)
Mary Cathey Head Start (MCHS)	Willie Price Lab School (WPLS)
MS Department of Education (MDE)	Oxford Housing Authority
Barksdale Reading Institute	McLean Institute
Family Crisis Center	

Activities/Events:

Professional Learning Community Meeting with LOU ELC Teachers (Oct 1)
LOU Reads Fall Professional Development Day for Early Childhood Educators (Oct 12) We had 14 attendees from Head Start, local schools, and local childcare centers.
OSD Late Start PD Days - Parents as Part of the Process: Engaging Families in Their Child's Education (Oct 14)
Parent Academy at Bramlett Elementary School (Oct 15) We had 32 parents/family members attend.
Out-of-School Time Coffee Hour Meeting at The Graduate Lobby (Oct 16)
Parent Academy at Lafayette Lower Elementary School (Oct 17) We had 17 parents/family members attend.
Fall MDE/ELC Lead Partner Meetings at the OHS Library (Oct 22-23)
Head Start Stakeholder Luncheon/Meeting in Holly Springs (Oct 24)
OSD Late Start PD Days - Parents as Part of the Process: Engaging Families in Their Child's Education (Oct 28)
LOU Reads Fall Coalition Meeting at the Extension Office (Oct 29)
Literacy Bus at the Family Crisis Center's Halloween Spooktacular (Oct 31) We gave away over 240 books to families and recruited for the LOU ELC and Parent Academy.
Replenished Little Free Libraries (nine in the area)

C. PROGRAM GOALS FOR NEXT REPORTING PERIOD (November 2019 - January 2020)

Goals
Continued support of PreK classrooms in our Lafayette-Oxford-University Early Learning Collaborative (LOU ELC)- 17 classrooms
Examine Kindergarten MKAS ² Fall Data to plan professional development for the LOU Community Centers and Schools (Section F)
Partner with local schools to plan MS Reads One Book activities for January 13-31
Complete NIEER Data for the LOU ELC
Promote PreK Tax Credit for the LOU ELC (Section G)
Mobile Literacy Project Enhancement with Partners

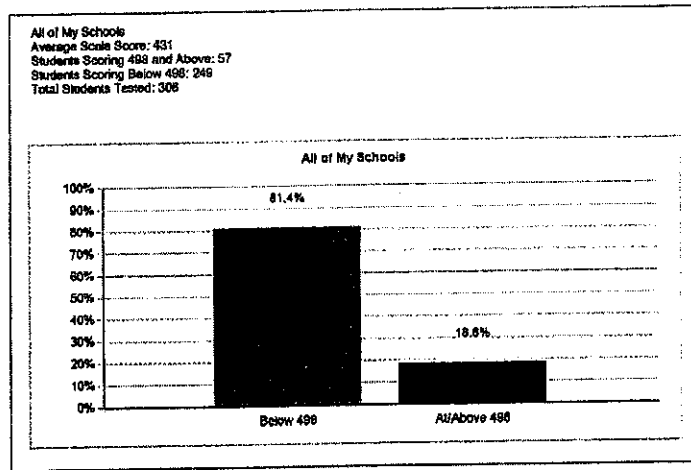
D. Upcoming Events

Events/Info
November 19: Parent Academy at Bramlett Elementary School
November 21: Parent Academy at Lafayette Lower Elementary School
December 5: Early Childhood Leadership Training at the Extension Office
January 13-31: MS Reads One Book - PreK through Third Grade students in OSD and LCSD will receive a book, <i>The World According to Humphrey</i> , to read with their family. Extension activities will be done at school throughout the three weeks.
January 21: Parent Academy at Bramlett Elementary School
January 23: Parent Academy at Lafayette Lower Elementary School
January 28: LOU Reads Winter Coalition Meeting at the Extension Office, 4-5pm
NOTE: For up-to-date info and pics, follow LOU Reads on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram - @loureads38655

E. MKAS² PreK Results for Fall 2019

There is only a spring benchmark score for PreK students, which is a scale score of 498. Students in the LOU ELC are expected to have a minimum scale score of 498 or a gain of 98 scale score points.

NOTE: The number of students who are above and below the 498 scale score are not listed in order to protect their identity.



Site	Number of Students Tested	Number of Students Below 498	Number of Students Above 498	Average Scale Score
LOU ELC	306	249 (81%)	57 (19%)	431
BES	129			419
LLES	49			428
MCHS	74			400
WPLS	54			505

F. Kindergarten Readiness Rates Fall 2019 from OSD and LCSD

Below are the average scale scores and readiness rates of all the kindergarten students in the Oxford and Lafayette County School Districts sorted by the previous preschool program the students attended. The fall benchmark is a scale score of 530. Students must score a 530 to be considered ready for kindergarten. The readiness rate is calculated by dividing the number of students who scored a 530 by the number of students who attended the preschool program.

NOTE: The number of students who attended each preschool program and the number of students who reached the 530 scale score are not listed in order to protect their identity.

Previous PreK	Average Scale Score	School Readiness Rate
Regents School of Oxford	599	100%
Out of State Private PreK	634	100%
Other Public PreK	589	88%
Lafayette Kindergarten Repeater	617	77%
Oxford University School	557	67%
Magnolia Montessori	625	67%
Lafayette PreK	546	64%
Bramlett PreK	568	63%
Other	554	62%
North Oxford/Creative Learning Center	543	62%
Willie Price Lab School	552	54%
Discovery Day School	541	54%
Out of State Daycare	574	50%
FBC Weekday	547	46%
FBC MMO	513	40%
Learners Playhouse	497	35%
ABC Learning Center	493	33%
Kids College	470	25%
Mother Goose Daycare	483	23%
Family Care	483	18%
Mary Cathey Head Start Center	454	16%
None (possibly at home)	445	16%
Little Angels Daycare	425	0%
Little Professionals	497	0%
Child's Time Inc.	522	0%
TOTAL	533	42%

G. Mississippi PreK Tax Credit Information

We have received \$294,150.00 in MS PreK Tax Credit donations to date.

STATE TAX CREDIT

The State Tax Credit

Individuals or corporations who make a contribution to support the local matching fund of an approved early learning collaborative may be eligible to receive a state tax credit for the donated amount up to \$1,000,000. The Mississippi Department of Revenue can approve 1:1 tax credits up to the amount the legislature appropriates to the *Early Learning Collaborative Act* each year. For 2018, the legislature appropriated \$6.5 million; therefore, the sum of the donations eligible for the tax credit may not exceed \$6.5 million. If you make a donation after the cap has been reached, you will not be eligible to receive the tax credit.



Securing the Tax Credit

To donate to a collaborative and receive the state tax credit, follow these steps:

1

Contact the Lead Partner for the collaborative to which you wish to donate. A list of all the approved early learning collaboratives is found below, along with contact information for the person responsible for collecting donations.

2

The Mississippi Department of Education tracks qualifying donations towards the cap. They will share this information with all the lead partners of the collaboratives. When contacting the lead partner, verify that the cap has not been reached.

3

After you make a donation, the Mississippi Department of Education will issue you a donation certificate documenting that you have contributed to the local matching funds of an approved collaborative.

4

Indicate your donation when you file your state taxes. Use form 80-401, which can be found on the Department of Revenue's website.

Support the L.O.U.
Early Learning Collaborative

Bramlett Elementary,
Lafayette Lower Elementary,
Willie Price Lab School, and
Mary Cathey Head Start

To make your donation, contact the L.O.U. Early Learning Collaborative Coordinator, Tamara Hillmer at tthillmer@oxfordsd.org or (662) 234-3541.