

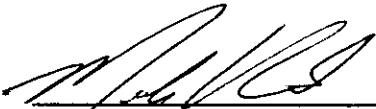
**ORDER: SPREAD ON THE MINUTES THE EARLY CHILDHOOD AND READING
DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY REPORT**

Motion was made by Brent Larson, duly seconded by David Rikard, to spread on the minutes the Early Childhood and Reading Development Quarterly Report.

The vote on the motion was as follows:

Supervisor Brent Larson, voted yes
Supervisor Larry Gillespie, 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 5th day of September, 2023.



**Mike Roberts, President
Board of Supervisors**



Sherry Wall, Clerical Clerk

**Early Childhood and Reading Development Partnership with
Oxford School District-Lafayette County School District-City of Oxford-Lafayette County
Progress Report
May - July 2023**

Prepared by: Cara Buffington, 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

May 2023	
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)	MS Campaign for Grade-Level Reading (MSCGLR)
Second Chance, Inc./Lynndy Hurdle	Northwest Community College (NWCC)
Center for Excellence in Literacy Instruction (CELI)	Graduate Center for the Study of Early Learning (UM)
Activities/Events:	
ESL class finished in May	
Last PLC meeting for the Lafayette-Oxford-University Early Learning Collaborative (May 9)	
LOU ELC Lead Partner Meeting (May 9)	
Completed Brigance developmental screeners for all LOU ELC Pre-K students	
Completed MKAS assessments for all LOU ELC Pre-K students	
Distributed "Get Ready for Kindergarten" kits to all LOU ELC Pre-K students	
Distributed satisfaction survey to all LOU ELC families	
Pre-K Graduation at OHS (May 17)	
Planning Meeting with ICS Head Start (May 18)	
Presented at Educator Institute at OHS (May 24 & 25)	

June 2023

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)	MS Campaign for Grade-Level Reading (MSCGLR)
Bezos Foundation- Mind in the Making	Northwest Community College
Center for Excellence in Literacy Instruction (CELI)	Graduate Center for the Study of Early Learning (UM)

Activities/Events:

Presented at Leadership Lafayette at Northwest Community College (June 1)
LOU ELC Budget meeting (June 6)
Ordered new classroom furniture and materials for five new classrooms at OECC
School Readiness Coordinator, Natalie Barry, attended CLASS reliability training at UM (June 14-16)
Completed United Way Grant Modification
Ordered books and materials for all LOU ELC sites for beginning of school
Assisted with Pre-K screeners for incoming OECC students
Marketing major, Camille White, began 4 week internship with ECRD

July 2022

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)	Bezos Foundation - MITM
Second Chance, Inc.	Northwest Community College
Oxford YMCA	Mississippi Campaign for Grade Level Reading (MSCGLR)

Activities/Events:

Budget Meeting with Allison Wally (July 5)
Moved office at OECC
Book Giveaway at Oxford Community Kids Market (July 11)
Provided center activities for Pre-K students at Della in partnership with Oxford UMCA (July 12)
Community Connections Meeting at OPD (July 13)
Baby Book giveaway at Avent Park (July 14)
State Campaign for Grade Level Reading Meeting in Flowood (July 17)
Meeting with Alyssa Hobart, new Mississippi CGLR Lead (July 19)
Assisted with screeners incoming OECC students
State Lead Partner Meeting for Early Learning Collaboratives in Biloxi (July 24)
Distribute transition folders to all Kindergarten teachers at Bramlett and Lafayette Lower Elementary
Plan/recruit for upcoming ESL classes starting in August

C. Upcoming Events

Events/Info
LOU ELC Professional Learning Community Meeting at OECC (August 29)
State Meeting for Mind in the Making (August 31)
Back to School Night at C.B. Webb (September 12)
Campaign for Grade Level Reading Fall Coalition Meeting (September 19)
Breakfast at the Bus Stop (September 21)
MDE CLASS Training at OECC (September 27)
Read for the Record (October 26)
NOTE: For up-to-date info and pics, follow LOU Reads on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram - @loureads38655

D. Mississippi PreK Tax Credit Information

We received **\$197,516.00** in MS PreK Tax Credit donations so far in 2023.

Use of Funds:

- Numerous instructional supplies for all 27 classrooms
- Professional Learning (online and in-person) for teachers, assistants, and administrators
- Furniture, Curriculum Materials, etc. for 2 new classrooms at Lafayette Elementary School and 5 new classrooms at OECC for the 23-24 school year
- Outside Play Supplies for all sites
- Tuition for Lafayette Pre-K students
- Get Ready for Kindergarten Kits for 22-23 Pre-K Students
- Get Ready for Pre-K Kits for 23-24 Pre-K Students
- Materials and Incentives for ESL Class (January - May 2023)
- Books for all Pre-K students in the LOU ELC