



Future proposed Literacy Center

REACH

Reading Enhances All Choices for Humans



Literacy
and
Skills for Life
A Community
Based Program
FREE! to Participants



What is the REACH Program?

REACH is a community-based literacy program. The mission of **REACH** is to “improve lives through literacy.” At its core it is about empowerment to break the cycle of poverty. It was established in 2018 and currently provides a summer boost for grades 1-5 in language, computers, and math. The existing program is maintained by volunteers at no cost to the participants in the program.

What is the Literacy Center Building Project?

The **REACH** program is expanding its scope and capacity and has incorporated as a Community-Based Nonprofit Organization. The goal of the expanded program is to build a nonprofit literacy education center to house **REACH**. The expanded program will offer its services to adults, all grades 1-12 and will also teach ESL. The expansion to all grades is evidence based, the data indicates that if a student cannot read by the 4th grade there is a high probability they will not graduate from high school.

The Setting

The **REACH** Program is located at St. Andrew’s United Methodist Church. The address is 540 School St SE, Tanglewilde, Washington. The Tanglewilde area is part of the Lacey Urban Growth Management Area, is in unincorporated Thurston County, and is a Census Designated Place (CDP.)

From the OSPI 2018-19 Report Card for Lydia Hawk Elementary

Only 26% of the children entering kindergarten are “ready” using the six basic measurements - Social-Emotional, Physical, Language, Cognitive, Literacy, and Math. Over 20% of the students missed more than two days of school each month. Less than half met grade-level standards for English and math, and less than 1/3 met science standards. Over 20% of the students had a disability. Over 5% are homeless. 72% are low-income and 67% participate in free or reduced-price meals. The per capita income is 25,089.00. 16.5% of the population is below the poverty level.

Bottom Line - Return on Investment

Reading and vocabulary skills are strongly correlated with health, wellness, and success, and children’s early skills are linked to their economic backgrounds. The Tanglewilde community is a place where many children face economic challenges and daily hardships. These children and their families will benefit from **The REACH** program and the Literacy Center.

Get A BOOST

Summer Program for Students going into: 1st - 5th Grade

Phonics:

Spelling, Short & Long Sounds, Blends, Sight Words & Writing

Comprehension:

Fluency, Practice Reading, Other Skills for Life

The Reach Program will conduct classes four days a week.
Monday through Thursday starting at 9:00 am until noon.

Call for or pick up an application to register children. *Space is limited.*

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