

JumpStart Read for the Record is starting again

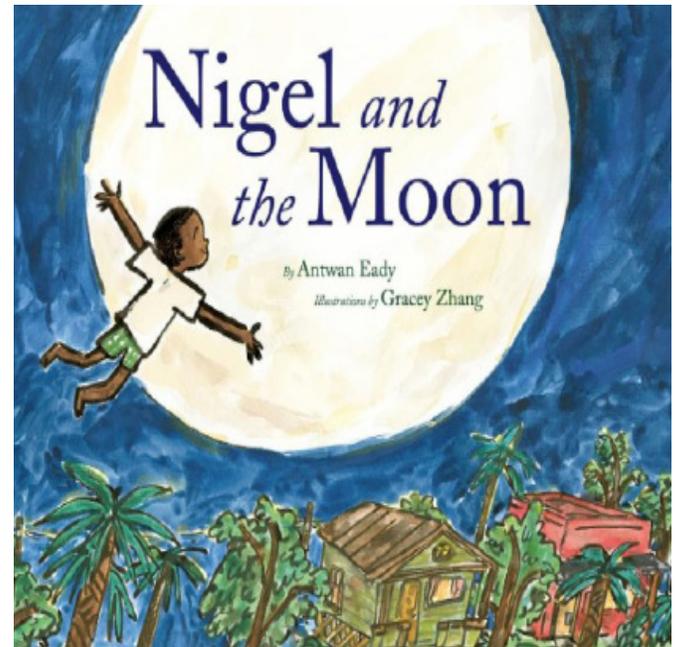
Each year for the past 6 years (except for 2020), the Early Learning Hub and Pollywog have participated with the national organization, JumpStart, in their "Read for the Record" program. Last year the EL Hub distributed hundreds of books in English and Spanish to agencies across the region so that their children could participate in the event.

This year's book is entitled, "Nigel and the Moon", and it's by first-time author Antwan Eady. The story is about a little boy who dreams big but is too scared to share his dreams with the world. The world-wide date to read this book as a group is Thursday, October 27, 2022. On this day millions of people around the world will read this book together.

What's Happening

- ✓ The next Pollywog Partner Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 9, from 9-10:30am. This will be a remote meeting, using the Zoom platform. Meeting log-in information will be available on the Google meeting invitation, but NOT on the Early Learning Hub website.
- ✓ Currently there are 2,421 individuals in the Pollywog database, as well as 27 prenatal and 37 parenting education classes being taught, 7 courses taught in Spanish, and 561 referrals have been sent through Pollywog. We have also received word that Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital will begin in-person prenatal classes in the near future.

If you are interested in participating, please contact us at pollywog@linnbenton.edu, and Sam will get back to you with details. Please plan on joining us!



Pollywog to hold 211 Workshop for Partners

Last month we held a 211 Workshop for Pollywog partners, and it went so well that we are planning another one!

It will be held on Wednesday, April 27, 2022, from 1-2:30pm, and Cara Kangas from 211info will be in attendance again to help partners update/create their 211info pages. This is an excellent opportunity for some one-on-one help. If you did not receive a Google Meeting invite, please contact Connie Adams at connie.adams@linnbenton.edu.

Pollywog May Parent Newsletter

The May Parent Newsletter will be released on Monday, May 2, and the topic will be tracking your child's development, and will contain information about Early Intervention and other resources for families with children needing special help, such as the Oregon Screening Project, the Milestone Tracker app, and links to the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. Please keep your eyes out for it!

The April Parent Newsletter went out on Monday, April 4, and it contained detailed information Relief Nurseries in Linn, Benton and Lincoln Counties including detailed information about the services the relief nurseries offer--which is probably new information to a lot of our families. If you missed it but would like a copy, all of the previous editions of the Parent Newsletter are available on the Pollywog website, on the newly updated Resource page, <https://pollywogfamily.org/resources-for-families/>.

If you have requests for topics of Parent Newsletters, please email them to pollywog@linnbenton.edu.

Pollywog Partner Update

Below is a list of all of the Pollywog Partners, by county, who are trained and ready to receive referrals through the Pollywog database:

Linn County:

Linn County Home Visiting Nurses
Kidco Head Start
Samaritan Albany General Hospital
Samaritan Lebanon Community Hospital
Obria Medical Clinic
Family Tree Relief Nursery
DHS (Albany & Lebanon) - no incoming referrals
Family Connections
WIC
Old Mill Center / Healthy Families
Options Pregnancy Center
Greater Albany Public Schools - Child Development

Benton County:

Old Mill Center / Healthy Families
Old Mill Center / Preschool & Counseling
Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center
DHS (Corvallis) - no incoming referrals
Community Doulas
Benton County Home Visiting Nurses
Community Outreach Inc.
Benton County Dental Program

Lincoln County:

Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital
Samaritan Health Center - Newport
The Olalla Center
Lincoln County Home Visiting Nurses
DHS (Newport) - no incoming referrals
CSC (Newport)
Children's Advocacy Center
Samaritan Early Learning Center

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