

Why Literacy?

Research shows good literacy skills have a long-term impact on your child's development. Reading proficiency by third grade is an important predictor of high school graduation and career success. Also, children who have good literacy skills are less likely to experience grade retention or school failure, drop out, or exhibit delinquent behavior. When they become adults, they are less likely to be unemployed or underemployed.



You have the opportunity to invest in your child's future by investing in literacy skill development now!

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Raising School Ready Readers



Building your child's (ages 3-6) literacy skills through the things you do everyday

Mondays

Sept 27-Oct 25

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Our Program

As parents, our lives are so crazy. Even though we know it's important to help our young children get ready for school, it can be challenging to carve out time everyday to do it. The *Raising School Ready Readers* program focuses on **how to incorporate learning into the things you already do everyday!**

Join us for five weeks of fun and learning for you and your child. Each week will give you new ideas to use while you do everyday tasks like fixing meals, giving baths, or riding in the car!

Raising School Ready Readers will help give your child a head start on school readiness with fun activities focusing on these important areas of literacy:

- How books and print work
- Play with sounds in words
- Communicate with others
- Know the names and sounds of letters
- Make sense of books and other print



**Kids love the activities.
Parents love the information.
Everyone loves the family time.**

Why join us?

- Discover simple tricks for busy families to turn everyday routines and experiences into learning opportunities.
- Learn easy ways to help your child get ready for school by building their reading and writing skills.
- Connect with your child through activities that develop a love of learning!

Dates: Consecutive Mondays
September 27, October 4, 11, 18 & 25

Time: 5:30-6:30 pm

Can't make every session? Our motto is: Come as much as you can, and miss when you must.

Location:

Mahaska County
ISU Extension and Outreach
212 North I Street; Oskaloosa Iowa

Cost: \$5.00 per family for all five sessions—with activities for your whole family and light refreshments provided at each session

Payment & Registration:
are due by **September 20, 2021**
Contact the Mahaska County
Extension office for more
information, 641-673-5841

Please indicate if sibling care will be needed on the registration.

Registration form at our office or
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