

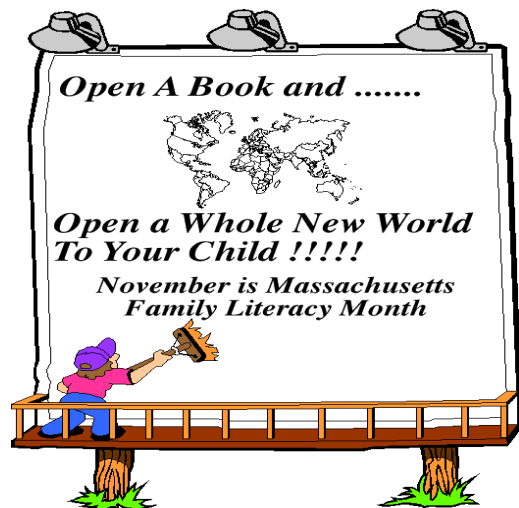


# Dennis-Yarmouth Title I

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Parents play a specific role in their child's literacy development by: creating a literacy-rich environment; sharing reading and writing activities; acting as reading models; and demonstrating attitudes toward education. *A strong educational environment at home can be a major factor in reinforcing the home-school connection.*

## Read to Your Child

As parents, you should know that shared learning and reading experiences are valuable gifts you can give your child. Reading is a key learning skill that will enable your child to become proficient in other areas. Reading aloud can also help your child become a better listener.

Reading doesn't take a lot of time, either. As a parent, finding the time to read to or with your child is not always easy. However, it is an investment that pays off in big dividends! Research shows that children who spend as little as 30 minutes a day reading books, magazines, and newspapers are more likely to become good readers.

## Raising a Reader: Getting Started

These easy-to-do activities are designed to build a solid foundation of family literacy at home.

♦ **Know your children.** Before selecting books, make sure you know your child's reading abilities and interests. Your child's teacher can help you with the reading level, and the teacher or librarian can make age-appropriate

recommendations on books for you.

♦ **Set aside time for reading.** Designate a time of day when family members can read for pleasure. Make reading a part of your family routine.

♦ **Make reading special.** Children should feel as if having a book is special. Help them create a space for storing their books. However, if your child doesn't show an interest or strong ability in reading, be patient, but do not give up. Reading should be viewed as an enjoyable activity.

♦ **Use your local library.** One of the best resources you will have as a parent is access to your community's library. It costs nothing to borrow books. Many libraries offer story hours and other fun literacy activities. Make visits to your library a routine activity.

## Yarmouth Libraries

South Yarmouth—508-7600-4820

Yarmouthport—508-362-3717

West Yarmouth—508-775-5206

## Dennis Libraries

Jacob Sears—508-385-8151

Dennis Public Library—508-760-6219

**Limit television time.** Monitor program selection for your children. Discuss programs with them. Have a "NO-TV" night with your family on a regular basis. Read magazines, write letters to relatives living far away, play charades, or games as a refreshing alternative.

**Reminder:** Remember to vote on November 6th.



If you have any questions, please contact me, Cookie Stewart, at 508-778-7599 or [stewartv@dy-regional.k12.ma.us](mailto:stewartv@dy-regional.k12.ma.us)

## Title I Parent Representatives

SAE-We **NEED** at least one representative

EHB-We **NEED** at least one representative

LCM- We **NEED** at least one representative

If you would like to be a

Representative, please call or e-mail Cookie Stewart.

Meetings last no more than 1 hour, three times per year.

**PLEASE BE A REP FOR YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL!**

