Public Awareness & Communication

All of the Scottsdale Public Library’s Early Literacy programs promote awareness of early childhood development.

As a public library, we are a tremendous resource to families who are seeking information on early childhood topics from parenting resources to assisting with finding area contacts for child care assistance or health care needs. Because we are not affiliated with any particular group, we provide unbiased access to information on local and national programs and organizations that serve children ages 0 – 5.

Over 120,000 people walk through the Library’s doors on a monthly basis, making us an ideal location for creating public awareness and communication.

The Scottsdale Public Library has built a capacity for and made a tremendous investment in early childhood programs and services for children 0 – 5.

We are always seeking input from the community on ways to further enhance and enrich the development of young children and we adapt our offerings accordingly. Scottsdale Public Library is truly the area’s leading resource for early literacy information and practice!

Early Literacy at Scottsdale Public Library

SCOTTSDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY LOCATIONS

CIVIC CENTER LIBRARY
3839 N. Drinkwater Blvd.
Scottsdale, AZ 85251-4452

APPALOOSA BRANCH LIBRARY
7377 E. Silverstone Drive
Scottsdale, AZ 85255

ARABIAN BRANCH LIBRARY
10215 East McDowell Mtn. Ranch Rd.
Scottsdale, AZ 85255-8600

MUSTANG BRANCH LIBRARY
10101 N. 90th St.
Scottsdale, AZ 85258-4404

PALOMINO BRANCH LIBRARY
12575 E. Via Linda, Suite 102
Scottsdale, AZ 85259-4310

(480) 312-READ (7323)
www.scottsdalelibrary.org
Family Support

**Every Child Ready to Read**
@ your library

Parent and child workshops introduce the six essential early literacy skills. Parents also learn about brain development and the importance of early literacy to their young children.

**Bookbites**
This partnership between the Library and Scottsdale Healthcare Osborn and Shea ensures that every child born at either hospital goes home with their first book and library card.

**Early Literacy Centers**
Professionally designed early literacy centers help to develop school readiness skills in children through interactive play in the company of their parents or adult caregivers.

**Brain Time with Brain Boxes**
Learn all about the ABC’s of Early Learning through these fun, interactive storytimes. Special Brain Box time allows infants, toddlers and preschoolers hands-on play with parents and caregivers.

**Ready to Learn Storytimes**
These programs incorporate the latest research in how children learn to present fun, interactive and developmentally appropriate programs. A variety of offerings for children 0-5 and their adult caregivers.

**Community Partnerships**
The Library partners with local organizations to bring programming into our communities. Current offerings include bilingual storytimes at Paiute Neighborhood Center, and *Picture Books and Museum Looks* in partnership with the Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Arts.

**Summer Baby Reading Club**
An early childhood summer reading program designed to encourage positive early literacy interactions between parents and their young children and to make reading a natural part of every day life.

**Books and Babies Celebration**
A community baby shower for our youngest customers ages 2-6 months and their families. This is a time when families can learn about all the resources and programs the library has for babies and caregivers. There are presentations from community partners and lots of games, giveaways and door prizes.

**Professional Development and Quality Early Care and Education**

**Early Literacy Workshops for Preschool and Child Care Teachers**
Interactive, fun and educational workshops promoting the six early literacy skills. Designed for teachers or caregivers of various preschool age children.

**Literacy Links**
A newly developed outreach to area preschools, child care centers and home child care providers.

Each center receives a monthly visit from a library representative who models a storytime utilizing items from a literacy kit and drops off a book collection and literacy kit for on-site use.

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