SCHOOL READY LIBRARIES LINK UP: INTRODUCTION TO HANDS

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Purpose of Study

Commissioned by the Kentucky Department for Libraries and Archives and funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services with the cooperation and collaboration of the University of Kentucky to create a project to improve the school readiness knowledge and skills of public library staff.

Project Impact

- Transform practice
- Build greater skills & abilities in staff
- Contribute to results that will benefit diverse constituencies
- Adoption & Replication
HANDS
Health Access Nurturing Development Services

Our Vision
Every child is wanted and cared for in a stimulating and nurturing environment.

HANDS Mission
Kentucky HANDS supports families as they build healthy, safe environments for the optimal growth and development of children.
HANDS Goals

- Positive Pregnancy Outcomes
- Optimal Child Growth and Development
- Children Live in Healthy/Safe Homes
- Families Self-Sufficiency

We’re Here to Lend Our Helping HANDS

YouTube Link to Video in the Chat Box ➔

Who Can Participate?

- Available in all 120 counties
- Check with your local county to see if they can provide services to multi-gravid families
- Remember, every parent needs a second pair of hands! Families can be referred to HANDS regardless of socioeconomic status, education, age, employment, etc.
When Can Families Join?

• Anytime during pregnancy
• Before a child is 90 days old
• Families can continue services to a child's second or possibly, third birthday
• Don't delay! Refer a family today!! Research shows that the earlier that families enroll in the program, and the more visits they have, the better the outcomes for the family and their baby…

HANDS Services Provided in Kentucky

• Services to 10,000 - 11,000 families annually
• Over 650 home visitation services on a daily basis
• Over 14,000 home visitation services on a monthly basis

What to Expect

• First visit getting to know the family, their experiences, and their expectations for new baby and family
• One hour +/- weekly home visit with FSW (Family Support Worker)
• Information on healthy pregnancies, caring for new baby, how to bond with baby, how to provide children with enriching learning experiences, how to have a safe and healthy home, how to deal with stress, community resources and child development using Growing Great Kids/Growing Great Families curriculum
• Opportunities to practice parenting skills and to play with their baby
• A partner in the parenting journey…
How Learning Occurs

The Learning Pyramid

- Teaching (20%)
- Guiding (20%)
- Encouraging (40%)
- Modeling (40%)
- Correcting (20%)
- Caring for (20%)
- Olympics with parents

Why Encourage Families to Participate?

- Parents are the most important people in a baby's life
- Parents are the first and most important teachers that children will ever have
- Parenting is a very demanding job and all parents have worries, questions, and stress

HANDS... It's FREE and FUN and VOLUNTARY
Help a Family Get Started TODAY!

- www.kyhands.com
- www.greatkidsinc.org
- 502-564-3756

A majority of HANDS services are offered through the local health department; however, in Louisville, Lexington, and Northern Kentucky – families are served through the health department as well as other local agencies

Reaching New and Expectant Parents: Public Libraries Working with HANDS

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What is HANDS?

Health Access Nurturing Development Services

Every parent needs a second pair of HANDS
Why We Program for Parents & Caregivers

• Parents are a child’s first and best teacher.
• Parents and caregivers know their children best.
• Children learn best by doing, and they love doing things with their parents and other important adults in their lives.

Working to build collaborative programs with HANDS helps public libraries to reach new and expectant parents where they are.

Reaching out through Training: HANDS Academy

Offered Every Child Ready to Read training for HANDS Home Visitor staff
- The Six Foundational Early Literacy Skills
- The Five Best Practices of Every Child Ready to Read
- Specific strategies for using the five practices with the parents they serve

Five Best Practices of Every Child Ready to Read

1. Talking: talking with children helps build vocabulary and narrative skills
2. Singing: singing helps slow down to sounds in language
3. Reading: reading to children models how words are connected to printed text
4. Writing: scribbling and drawing foster skills needed for later writing
5. Playing: playing is how children learn best

http://www.everychildreadytoread.org/
Oral language is the basis for all later literacy.

Listening • Speaking • Communicating

A Child's Brain on Music

Musical activities stimulate development in every area of the brain.

• Sounds • Rhythm • Language

Babies: Real Words Every Day

Welcome to Baby Belly Buttons

• Sounds • Rhythm • Language

Talking

Reading
Take a picture walk
Read the same books repeatedly
Ask questions—even if the child does not have the words to answer yet
Use props to tell the story (fingerpuppets, flannel board, etc.)
Play games that connect to books
Sing songs that help retell the story in

Play is a child’s work. It is how she learns about the world around her.

http://sproutsofman.blogspot.com/

The Stages of Scribbling

• Social Emotional • Language • General Knowledge

• Pincer Grasping • Print Awareness • Social Emotional
Other Ways Your Library Can Collaborate with HANDS

Family or Daycare Kits
Reaching out through Materials

Professional Development

Family Programs
Other Ways Your Library Can Collaborate with HANDS?

Share your ideas!

Questions or Feedback

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http://kdla.ky.gov/librarians/programs/Pages/SchoolReady.aspx

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  TO SUBSCRIBE: To join the list, send email with the subject "KYAC" to Krista.King-Oaks@ky.gov. In the body of the message, list your name and the name of your library. You will be emailed instructions for posting to this moderated discussion list.

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- School Readiness Taskforce Strategic Planning, Thursday, April 20th, 4 p.m.

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