



Tutor Communication

May 14, 2015

Greetings from The Literacy Connection! We hope you have safe and Happy Memorial Day!

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The Literacy Connection Office Summer Hours



Please note that beginning Friday, May 22, 2015, The Literacy Connection office will be closed on Fridays through September 4, 2015.

Monday - Thursday office hours are 9-4. We will resume our regular Friday office hours of 9-2 on September 11, 2015.

Tutor/Learner Recognition and Annual Meeting 2015

Save the Date:

Tutor/Learner Recognition and Annual Meeting

Thursday, June 4, 2015

Morning: 9:30-11:30 a.m.

or

Evening: 6:30- 8:30 p.m.

Invitations will be mailed soon!

Has your learner made significant strides? If so, please tell us about it. Email [Jody](#) with your story about your learner or learners.

Certificates and awards are based on submitted hours, so make sure yours are up to date. Don't disappoint your learner!

Fox Trot

38th Annual Elgin Fox Trot Walk for a Cause on May 23rd.

Join us for a 2-mile walk in downtown Elgin while raising funds for our organization. Simply select The Literacy Connection as your cause upon registration. Cost is \$12 per person or \$40 for a group of four.

Visit the event website [here](#) for more information and to register.



Learner Testing

Be sure to have your learner make an appointment for testing between now and the middle of June. Call 847-742-6565 or email [Jody](#) to schedule an appointment. Learners can also call or text for appointments 224-215-6515. Available dates and times are:

Saturday, May 16: 12:30 p.m. or 2:00 p.m.

Monday, May 18: 10:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 10: 3 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Test results will be available at a workshop later in the summer.

New Citizen Recognition Ceremony



Save the Date:

City of Elgin New Citizen Recognition Ceremony

Wednesday, June 24, 2015, 7 p.m. at the Centre of Elgin

If your learner has become a U.S. Citizen in the past year, please notify the office and plan to attend the ceremony.



2014 Elgin new citizens with certificates

Tutor Tip

The Smart Phone: A Great Pronunciation Tool

Many of our learners have a smart phone. Most are very capable of maximizing the tools on their phones, such as the recording device. I have been working with my students on the pronunciation of months, days and ordinal numbers (1-31). Without boring them (and myself) with endless repetition, I had them record me as I carefully pronounced each month, day and ordinal number up to 31. Your learner(s) can listen to the recording and practice their pronunciation in between sessions. We now begin each lesson with saying the day's date and any upcoming birthdays, holidays, etc.

Proliteracy's Spring 2015 Notebook

The Spring 2015 issue of [Notebook: Resources for the Adult Educator](#) includes:

- Speaking: Wow! Teaching Interjections
- Reading: Jigsaw Vocabulary Activity
- Numeracy: 10 Math Apps for Adult Students
- Writing: Using a Graphic Organizer to Respond to Literature
- Student Profile: Former Student Continues to Learn, Inspire Others



Tutor Hours Reminder

Update your tutoring hours now for the Tutor/Learner Recognition! Certificates and awards are based on submitted hours.

Please also notify the office if you have changed tutor location, day or time. If you have already submitted your past hours, thank you for sending them so promptly.

Please remember that if you do not meet with your learner, you should still report stating that you have no hours for the month. Also, if you are tutoring a group of learners, the report should include hours for each of them, even if it is only to report zero hours for one of them.

Please report separate times for tutoring and preparation.

Hours can be submitted:

- On our website [Tutor Hours Report Form](#)
- Emailing datamanager@elginliteracy.org
- Calling 847-742-6565
- Faxing them to 847-742-6599
- In-person at the office

Gail Borden Summer Reading Challenge for Adults:

When you read this summer and finish eight books, the Gail Borden Public Library will donate \$5 to The Literacy Connection. Finishers will also be entered into a drawing for gift certificates from local businesses.

This is an easy way to support The Literacy Connection and to have fun while reading over the summer! For more information on all summer reading programs, click [here](#). Pick up a reading log at the library or print a reading log [here](#). Please recommend this to your learner, family and friends!

Tutor Training Schedule

Share Your Love for Tutoring

Tell a friend, family member, neighbor or work colleague about becoming a tutor.

Please share our Tutor Training [flyer](#).

Pass it out to your co-workers, friends, neighbors, your favorite coffee shop, etc.

We need more good people like you!

Tutor Training Schedule 2015

*Monday, July 20 and Monday, July 27

9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Gail Borden Public Library

270 N. Grove Avenue, Elgin

*The first hour of this session is an orientation.

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Adults Remain On Our Wait List

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