



Early Literacy Extras:

Parents and caregivers are a child's first and best teachers. Here are some ideas and activities to try this week with your child. These five practices are designed to help your child develop literacy skills, engage your child, and enhance the bonds between you. Storytimes at the Adams County Library support Pennsylvania Early Learning Standards.

This week's theme was: **Civic Engagement**

Read: Watch Miss Danielle read *Sometimes People March*, by Tessa Allen and *Hands Up*, by Breanna J. McDaniel on our Youth Services Facebook page or YouTube Channel.

Talk: Talk about teamwork and helping one another. Toddlers love to be helpful. Show them how much quicker a task can be done if you work together.

Sing: Rhymes to do at Home

Play: Have your child accompany you on an awareness walk, a park clean-up day, or to the voting booth, even if they are just riding in the stroller. Modeling civic engagement is a great way to introduce your child to being an engaged citizen.

Write: Invite your child to help decorate cards for Veterans, or people in nursing homes, or decorate boxes of supplies for families in need.

Rhymes to do at Home

The Pledge of Kindness

I pledge to myself
On this very day
To try to be kind
In every way
To every person
Big or small
I will help them
If they fall
When I love myself
And others too
That is the best
That I can do

The More We Get Together

The more we get together,
together, together
The more we get together, the
happier we'll be
Because your friends are my
friends and my friends are your
friends
The more we get together, the
happier we'll be
The more we work together...
The more we play together...