

# READ Saskatoon

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## READ Saskatoon *January to July 2012* Learning Opportunities Calendar

READ Saskatoon supports literacy activities and lifelong learning.



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## Literacy Volunteer Training — Become an adult literacy tutor!

All literacy volunteers are required to attend one orientation session at the READ office and the all day Saturday methodology training at the Park Town Hotel.

The **Orientation Session** provides basic information on literacy, adult learning principles and READ Saskatoon.

Dates and times offered:

January 24, 2012 (evening) 6:30– 9 p.m.

- or- January 25, 2012(afternoon) 1–3:30 p.m.

March 26, 2012 (evening) 6:30– 9 p.m.

-or- March 27, 2012(afternoon) 1–3:30 p.m.



The **Saturday Methodology Training** gives participants theory, methods, strategy and advice for working with adult learners. Sessions run from 9:30 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. at the Park Town Hotel. Lunch is provided.

Training dates are:

January 28, 2012

March 31, 2012

Interested in working with families? Attend the all day Introduction to Family Literacy Training. See page 4 for details.

Watch our website for upcoming events, workshop changes or subscribe to e-blast for updates!  
[subscribe@readsaskatoon.com](mailto:subscribe@readsaskatoon.com)

## Pre Natal Caring Circle Facilitator Training

### Pre-Natal Caring Circle Facilitator Workshop

The Prenatal Caring Circle, promotes family literacy, bonding and well-being before and after birth. It is a program for expectant mothers and the important people in their lives. Expectant mothers are encouraged to create a network of family, friends and professionals that they can turn to for support throughout their pregnancy and following the birth of their baby.

The facilitator training workshop will provide a history of the Prenatal Caring Circle project, and the rationale, goals and objectives of the program. It will also offer practice in the planning and delivery of the program sessions and will highlight different ways that the program may benefit your community.



**Course Length:** 2 Days

**When:** Friday, February 10 & Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**Time:** 9 a.m to 4 p.m

**Cost:** \$200/person for the 2 Days includes lunch and manual

**Location:** TBA

**Resource:**

[http://www.sk.literacy.ca/pdf\\_links/calendar.pdf](http://www.sk.literacy.ca/pdf_links/calendar.pdf)

# Family Literacy Memberships

## Family Literacy Memberships

Our Storybag collection is available to schools, agencies and community organizations for \$50 per year. With your membership you will also receive access to the *Come Read with Me (CRWM) Library and Reading and Parents Program (RAPP)* located in our office.



The CRWM program uses children’s books as a starting point for developing literacy skills and discussing a wide range of parenting topics.

RAPP packs are filled with books, reading and language hints, craft ideas, poetry and activity sheets all related to the theme of the book.

**Alphabet Soup Program** a six-week parent and preschooler program that focuses on nutrition and literacy. The program includes rhymes, songs, finger plays, introductions of stories, learning activities for parents and early nutrition. There is a fee for service, dates can be booked as requested.

**Romp ‘n’ Read Camp** Host a week long camp or eight-week program for parents and preschoolers that focuses on learning together. Each day has a different theme and activities include songs, finger plays, story time, games, crafts, snack, social and literacy enhancement skills. There is a fee for service, dates can be booked as requested.

# Refreshers and Networking

## Saskatoon Region Family Literacy Advisory Committee

Bi-monthly meetings aiming to:

- Create awareness around family literacy
- Promote and plan events around Family Literacy Day
- Share information and resources available (i.e.: family literacy programs, events and activities in our communities)

Please contact Desiree at 652-5448 if you would like to attend the next meeting date.



## Facilitation Skills /Training

If you are new to facilitating programs with adults and children together, or just need a refresher, then this might be for you.

Using hands on approaches, theory and research, participants will:

- gain tools and strategies to lead a program or session
- compare and contrast facilitation and teaching
- identify differences working with parents and children together vs adults or children individually
- gain confidence with setting boundaries and have strategies for conflict resolution.
- Identify best practices in program delivery

**When:** Friday, January 13, 2012

**Time:** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Cost:** \$100 (lunch included)

**Prior reading:** Who Me Lead a Group? By Jean Illsley Clarke

**Location:** READ Saskatoon office

## Training and Advocacy

### Introduction to Family Literacy Certificate Training

This 6 hour training provides the foundations for Family Literacy and is open to anyone wanting to facilitate, coordinate and develop family literacy programming. Staff, facilitators, coordinators, teachers or parents interested in learning more about Family Literacy may consider this training. **The Introduction is a pre-requisite for many other Family Literacy Programs available in Saskatchewan.**

#### Objectives of training:

- Demonstrate the principles of Family Literacy programming in action;
- Introduce participants to Family Literacy and guiding principles;
- To introduce participants to components within Family Literacy programs;
- Introduce participants to the connection between Family Literacy and Community Development;
- Provide direction for starting Family Literacy activities and programs;
- Provide information on further training and an overview of Family Literacy within our province.



**When:** Saturday, January 28 & Saturday, March 31, 2012

**Time:** 9:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

**Cost:** \$15 lunch is included

**Location:** Park Town Hotel

## Learn and Connect

### Romp 'n' READ Program Facilitator training:

This facilitator training prepares individuals to facilitate READ Saskatoon's Romp 'n' READ programs in their communities. It covers:

- An adaptable model ready to use;
- Theme planning
- Age appropriate book making and literacy station planning
- Evaluation and Assessments
- A mock session
- Facilitation skills

**When:** Friday, March 16th

**Time:** 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Prerequisite:** Introduction to Family Literacy Certificate (pg 4)

**Cost:** \$100 lunch included

**Location:** TBA



### Boy Smarts Action Talk : How to talk so boys will listen and listen so boys will talk

Barry MacDonald, author of *Boy Smarts* and *Boys on Target*, is back again to offer parents and educators valuable tools to help mentor boys at home and at school. [http://www.mentoringboys.com/2011\\_seminars/ActionTalk2011.pdf](http://www.mentoringboys.com/2011_seminars/ActionTalk2011.pdf)

**When:** Saturday, March 24, 2012

**Time:** 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Cost:** with your registration fee, you will receive a copy of each of Barry's books. Register on-line at [www.mentoringboys.com](http://www.mentoringboys.com)

**Location:** Circle Drive Alliance Church