READ for Kindergarten®

October 2018



Registration is **open for all three workshops** - Fall, Winter, and Spring. Space is limited and Fall classes are filling up.

Fall workshops are:

6 p.m. Tuesday, October 16 Mullan Trail Elementary, Post Falls

10 a.m. Saturday, October 20 Borah Elementary, Coeur d'Alene

6 p.m. Tuesday, October 23 John Brown Elementary, Rathdrum

To register follow this link: <u>Register for Ready!</u> Special thanks to our our program sponsor, <u>Alliance Data</u> and food donors: <u>Dominos Pizza</u> and <u>Evans Brothers Coffee</u>.

New: Ready! Rewards

An Incentive Program for Ready! Families

We all know that the Ready! for Kindergarten Workshops are a rewarding experience - the opportunity to play with a purpose with your pre-schooler. And now to add to the opportunities you have to share with your child, we are offering a new incentive program: **Ready! Rewards**.

With the help of some wonderful local businesses, we will reward parents for making the commitment to register and attend all three workshops in one year. For each workshop a family registers and





attends they will receive a coupon from **Figpickels**. The more workshops you attend the more coupons you can earn. Also, if a family registers and attends two or more times, they are eligible for a drawing for Family Passes at <u>The Kroc</u> <u>Center</u>. Families who register and attend all three workshops will be eligible for a drawing for a Party or Rental Package at <u>Jump For Joy</u>, as well as the chance to redeem all three Figpickels coupons for a gift in the store.







The Power of Talking with Your Child

Talk, talk, talk, talk. Starting at birth, children need to hear tens of thousands of words each day to be ready to speak, read and learn. Talk naturally and use a lot of different words. Model conversations when you talk with your child. Listen to your child's coos or words and respond. Ask questions. Point out

colors, shapes, numbers and even objects. Describe to your child what you're doing. Give your child options. Praise your child frequently. Have fun and be silly.

The number of words make a difference. Aim to speak with your child about 30 times per hour. The greater the number of words a child hears before they are age 3, the higher their IQ and the better they will do in school. But it's never too late to start!





