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3rd Grade Reading Success Matters

February 2022

In Less Than 70 Days! — [Suncoast Remake Learning Days](#) is a 10-day festival of free events for children and families...think of it as the world’s largest multi-site open house happening April 29 to May 8, 2022.



SCGLR is delighted by the outpouring of submissions to participate in Suncoast Remake Learning Days, a 10-day festival of free events for children and families...think of it as the world’s largest multi-site open house from April 29 to May 8, 2022. There are already 65 events! It's not too late to participate. [You can fill out your 2022 Suncoast Remake Learning Days event submission form here.](#)

GET INVOLVED



Now in Classrooms!
194 classes registered representing 34 schools



[By Karen Windon](#)

We all recognize that teachers are amazing! They work with a multitude of children, each with individual learning styles, interests and... quirks! They pour into their students, listening to fears and hopes, navigating family situations, bandaging knees and hearts. Oh, and they give children the tools to learn, grow, and evolve into productive citizens. And that's just a few of their daily responsibilities.

Through the vision of Beth Duda, with support from The Patterson Foundation, the Suncoast Campaign for Grade-Level Reading (SCGLR) desired to show appreciation for our educators, especially in the wake of distance learning and the COVID pandemic. With that aspiration in mind, [THIS BOOK IS COOL! In School](#) (TBICIS) was born. Since its birth in late 2020 and the program's implementation, more than 200 classrooms in the four-county region have participated in this program. Teachers receive three classroom books, lesson plans, three books for their student's home libraries, and other resources and support from the TBICIS team.

A recent Learn and Share Zoom was held with a small but mighty team of open and forthright teachers about what is working and areas where SCGLR can add more value. SCGLR is excited to keep this program growing. As a teacher from one of the participating schools shared, "Our mission is to get more books in the hands of our students. If they don't have books at home, they aren't going to learn. This program is a game-changer, and every teacher should sign on!"

That's our hope too!

Interested in learning more? Email the campaign at connect@gradelevelreadingsuncoast.net

Kindergarten Readiness: Volunteers Wanted



For the 6th year, due to popular demand from teachers, principals, and willing funding partners, including [The Patterson Foundation](#), [Rotary Club of Sarasota Foundation](#), [Charlotte Community Foundation](#), the [School District of DeSoto County](#), and [Community Foundation of Sarasota County](#), Kindergarten Readiness Bags are back!

SCGLR created Kindergarten Readiness Bags to provide learning support for incoming kindergartners in the months before school begins so that children can start school ready to learn.

Who gets them? All incoming kindergartners attending public schools in Sarasota, Charlotte, and DeSoto counties and all incoming kindergartners attending Title 1 schools in Manatee County.

These bags are magical, and SCGLR needs your help stuffing more than 6,000 Kindergarten Readiness Bags for the little ones. Will you help?

**HECK YEA, I WANT TO
VOLUNTEER!**

Presidents' Service and Sacrifice

February 2022



PATRIOT PLAZA

SARASOTA NATIONAL CEMETERY

HONORING VETERANS
INSPIRING PATRIOTISM
EMBRACING FREEDOM

**FAMILY
ENGAGEMENT**

Presidents' Day

Did you know Presidents' Day began after George Washington's death and was originally celebrated on his birthday, February 22? In the late 1960s, Congress moved this holiday and two other federal holidays to Mondays. Now President's Day celebrates all U.S. presidents, past and present.

Access the Patriot Plaza Family Engagement Activity Book to learn more about Presidents' Day, past presidents, and to discover fun facts you may not already know!

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITY BOOK

We welcome your thoughts. Contact us at info@GradeLevelReadingSuncoast.net.

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