



Tarrant Literacy Coalition

opening the door to opportunity.

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- National Night Out (10/5)
- Columbus Day (10/8)
- ESL Training in Parker County (10/12-13, Contact kpeiser@suddenlink.net for more details)
- Third Thursday (10/18)
- Halloween (10/31)

Check the website for a complete calendar of events and contact [Jennifer Rollins](mailto:Jennifer.Rollins@tarrantlit.org) to have your event added.

September in Pictures



Register for the New LINC Community

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LINC, or Literacy Information and Communication System, has converted its former listserv into an interactive, topic based community. At the end of September the listserv platform will no longer be active and you will have to register with the LINC Community to benefit from the interactive discussion groups.

The LINC Community connects literacy providers from across the country in conversation around issues that matter to providers. The new discussion groups are topic based so you can specify which types of conversations you are interested or engaged in. The discussion groups include: Evidence-based Professional Development, Health Literacy, Reading and Writing, Adult English Language Learners, Career Pathways, College and Career Standards, Correctional Education, Diversity and Literacy, Financial Literacy, Formative Assessment, Math and Numeracy, Post Secondary Completion, Program Management, Science, and Technology and Learning, along with scheduled and focused micro-groups.

This is a wonderful opportunity for us to learn how programs around the country overcome challenges like coordinating their programs, teaching numeracy concepts, and increasing student motivation. If you have a question this is a wonderful community to bring it to. More than likely you will receive several ideas from people who have experience in the field. You may also have some good ideas to contribute to this community.

Register for the community and then invite your colleagues to join! To register for the LINC Community:

1. Go to <https://community.lincs.ed.gov/user/register>.
2. Complete the required fields. I recommend including your job title and organization, so other members know your role in adult education. Add a photo so that others can put a face to your username!
3. Click the check box next to the groups you wish to join.
4. Click the 'Create new account' button to complete your registration.

North Texas Giving Day Results

September 13th was the North Texas Giving Day and we greatly appreciate all those who gave to their favorite nonprofits on that day including the Tarrant Literacy Coalition. When midnight arrived on Thursday, September 13, 53 gifts had been made to Tarrant Literacy Coalition totaling \$3,055. Thank you for GETTING UP to GIVE! This year, North Texans toppled previous North Texas Giving Day records by donating 37,800 gifts totaling \$14.4 million to 900+ North Texas nonprofits. If you would like to check out the amounts given to all nonprofits participating in North Texas Giving Day, you may go to www.donorbridgetx.org.

Through generous donations the Coalition is able to provide high quality trainings and support to local adult and family educators. You don't have to wait for a big fundraising event like the Giving Day or the Corporate Spelling Bee to make a contribution to the Coalition, simply visit [our website](http://ourwebsite) anytime that is convenient for you. Donating through the website is safe and fast and helps us achieve our mission together to improve the quality and increase the quantity of adult literacy programs through collaboration with organized literacy providers and community partners in Tarrant and surrounding counties.

Thank you for supporting the Tarrant Literacy Coalition.

3rd Thursday

Please plan to join us every 3rd Thursday at the TCC-Opportunity Center to Learn, Share, and Connect with other educators and volunteers from around the community. This month we have invited Bill Pounds of Aztec Learning Software, recognized as the most popular adult education software by TEA's adult education division Texas LEARNS, to show us best practices and the integration of Aztec Software in secondary youth and at-risk learners. Also, we will have a panel discussion with experienced ESL teachers to hear how they have integrated creative learning in and out of the classroom. Please RSVP to jbosmans@tarrantlit.org by October 15th.

Upcoming 3rd Thursdays:

October 18 th	TCC Opportunity Center
November 15 th	5901 Fitzhugh Avenue
Room-1330	Fort Worth, TX 76119
2:00-4:00pm	817-515-2500



TLC is on YouTube, www.youtube.com/TarrantLit

This summer we were grateful for the opportunity to work with a talented videography intern from Texas Christian University, Trilby Argubright. While Trilby was working with us, she filled her time with research and visiting classes, taking pictures and video. By the end of the summer she had created a six minute video to help us tell the story of the Tarrant Literacy Coalition. We invite you to visit our YouTube channel and watch the video Trilby created. With your help we can share this video with people who might be interested in volunteering and supporting local adult education programs.

"Literacy is the building block of a healthy and sustainable community."

-Jill "J.R." Labbe, Former Editorial Director, FW Star Telegram

Click on the image to the right to view the video:

If your organization has created a video, let [Jen](mailto:Jennifer.Rollins@tarrantlit.org) know and she'll add it to our favorites channel allowing more people to view it.



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