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This Month in Pictures



We want to feature **YOU** in upcoming issues of the Coalition newsletter. You get to hear about our efforts and events all the time but we really want to hear from you! Please submit stories and articles to: [Sarah Stannard](#). Be sure to include a short author bio and some general information about your program.

Stay Connected to the Tarrant Literacy Coalition!



Dear Literacy Partner,

School's out for the summer, and it's the perfect time to keep in touch with your local literacy community! Read on and you'll learn about upcoming programming and all the news you need to know to make the most of this summer's literacy events - here and around the state.

It's All Fun and Games at TLC's June Fourth Friday Forum!

It's all fun and games in Jennifer Steffen's ABE class, and she wants to teach you how she does it! Join Tarrant Literacy Coalition for the June Fourth Friday Forum in which Jennifer will teach participants how to include easy, fun, high-energy instruction into their lesson planning.



About the presenter: Jennifer Steffen was trained as an elementary school teacher and has 22 years' experience in education. She now teaches adult basic education for Fort Worth ISD and thrives on offering her students the opportunity to learn in a fun environment. Jennifer loves to use new, innovative and varied teaching techniques! Believing in a student-centered classroom, she says that even though improving reading fluency and comprehension is the goal, it is important to incorporate computer skills, communication skills, life skills, and FUN into her daily lessons.

Where: Cornerstone Assistance Network Community Room (3500 Noble Ave, Fort Worth, TX 76111) [Click here for a map](#)
When: June 24, 2016 from 9:00am-11:00am

[Click Here to Register Now. Trust Us, You Won't Want to Miss This!](#)

DOLLAR GENERAL

Congratulations, Area Dollar General Grant Awardees!

Adult/Family Literacy Grants:

- Arlington Public Library
- Catholic Charities of Fort Worth
- LIFT
- VMLC
- Aberg Center for Literacy
- Tarrant Literacy Coalition

Summer Reading Grants:

- El Bethel Missionary Baptist Church
- Hasket Public Library
- TREE Foundation

Thank you, Dollar General, for providing the funds to enrich literacy programming in North Texas. We are grateful for your commitment!



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Congratulations to Our Recent HSE Graduates!

Congratulations to Megan Pearson, Gladys Fuentes, Claudia Gonzalez, and Cristina Saldivar! All four recently completed the GED® and now have Certificates of High School Equivalency. Way to go, girls!

We are SO PROUD of each of the 10 TLC Students Who Achieved their High School Equivalency Certificates in the 2015-2016 School Year!

2016 Texas Career Pathways Series on Galveston Island

Collaborate with your colleagues from around the Lone Star State! Great development opportunities, shared learning experiences and capacity building sessions in one jam-packed week!

Training opportunities for:

- ESL Providers
- Community Technical Colleges
- Career Technical Educational Partners
- Workforce and Employee Partners
- Session Content in 3 areas:
 - Career Pathways Expansion
 - Distance Learning

[Click here for more information about registration, hotels and scholarships!](#)

Catholic Charities of Fort Worth to Host Refugee ESL Providers Community Meeting in August



Catholic Charities of Fort Worth will host an ESL Providers Community Meeting on August 24, 2016. The purpose of this meeting is to share information about ESL programs for refugees and discuss gaps in services in order to meet the needs of refugees in Fort Worth. Anyone who serves refugees in ESL programs is encouraged to attend and participate in this meeting.

When: Wednesday, August 24th at 2:00pm
Where: Catholic Charities Fort Worth, 249 W. Thornhill Drive

For more information contact Amy Snyder by calling 817-289-0468 or [click here to email her](#).

Literacy ConneXus
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Check Out Literacy ConneXus' 2016 English Language Acquisition Instructor Training!

Teaching English With Excellence (TEX) Training is coming to a city near you! These trainings will help new instructors to master the skills they need to be effective leaders of an English Language Acquisition classroom. Reservations are required.

[Click here to learn more about these upcoming training events!](#)



LITERACY TEXAS 2016 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Join Literacy Texas August 1-3 at the Embassy Suites San Marcos - Hotel, Spa, and Conference Center for the 2016 Annual Conference. Each year they provide training on every aspect of developing and maintaining an adult literacy program, with researched methods and experienced instructors.

[Click here for more information or to register!](#)