



EDUCATION CONNECTION

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OUR MISSION

...every child reading by the end of 3rd grade.

OUR CORE VALUES

HUMILITY...

Not needing to know.

CONSISTENCY...

Showing up.

SIMPLICITY...

Believing our model makes a difference.

BE INSPIRED

"Sometimes, I've believed as many as six impossible things before breakfast."

Alice's Adventures in Wonderland By Lewis Carroll

SUGGESTED BOOKS BY GRADE LEVEL

Thank you for choosing to volunteer with Education Connection. As many of you have started to make your way onto elementary school campuses across the Greater Austin area we wanted to provide you with some book ideas by grade level.

KINDERGARDEN

Axel the Truck: Beach Race By J. D. Riley

Biscuit and the Little Pup By Alyssa Satin Capucilli

Fancy Nancy's Fantastic Phonics By Jane O'Connor

1ST GRADE

Bear's Big Day By Salina Yoon

Big Cat, Little Cat By Elisha Cooper

Bruce's Big Move By Ryan Higgins

2ND GRADE

Flat Stanley and the Bees By Jeff Brown

Friend Ship By Kat Yeh

Frog and Toad Storybook Favorites By Arnold Lobel

3RD GRADE

Buffalo Bill and the Pony Express By Eleanor Coerr

Building Our House By Jonathan Bean Farrar

Clara and the Bookwagon By Nancy Smiler Levinson

4-5TH GRADE

Dear Emma By Johanna Hurwitz

Deep Sea Extremes By Natalie Hyde

Dinosaur Hunter By Elaine Marie Alphin

The Lifecycle of Mammals By Susan Gray

The Numberlys By William Joyce

Wherever You Go By Pat Miller

For a longer list of recommended books by grade level visit www.education-connection.org/resources-3



1 VOLUNTEER + 2 KIDS + 30 MINUTES = CHANGING THE WORLD!

...EVERY CHILD READING BY THE END OF 3RD GRADE

"There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island."

– Walt Disney

"You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax all you need is a book!"

– Dr. Seuss

"There are many little ways to enlarge your world. Love of books is the best of all."

– Jacqueline Kennedy

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR DIRECTOR

It has been wonderful getting to meet so many of you at our live Education Connection trainings! Each year as we begin to gather, I am so thankful to see so many of you so willing to take time away from your busy lives to join our mission of "...every child reading by the end of 3rd grade!"

Currently, we are in the throws of working towards getting everyone trained, background checked, and approved to start reading. I wanted to personally thank you for your patience because I know we are all eager to start reading with our students. I promise that we are working diligently on your behalf!

As you begin meeting with students please remember that your School Coordinator, Literacy Partner Coordinator, and the Education Connection staff are here to serve you. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns. We are here to help!

Take Care,

AMY HAGEN, LMSW
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

HAVE A QUESTION?

Email us at info@education-connection.org or give us a call at 512-813-5918. We'd love to connect with you and offer our support in any way we can.