



UMATILLA COUNTY SPECIAL LIBRARY DISTRICT

Strengthening our community libraries

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Early Literacy Outreach Take Off! Program Manager Monthly Report

Date: September 15, 2026
Staff Name: Monica Hoffman
Time Period Report Covers: August 2026

Position Purpose Statement:

The Program Manager creates and implements outreach services to childcare, preschool, and public library sites throughout the county, fostering a love of reading and promoting kindergarten readiness through the development of early literacy skills targeting children birth to six.

Statistics:

Attendances at Library Storytime's are kept separately as Take Off! Childcare/preschool Storytimes so the libraries can count those attendees for their statistical reports.

Book Box Statistics	Boxes/kits	Books
Book Boxes Delivered	40	792
Storytime/ Specialty Kits Delivered	1	9
Total	40	801
Storytime Statistics	Library Storytimes	Childcare Storytimes
Storytimes Provided	6	9
Adults in Attendance	36	18
Children in Attendance	52	72
Total Attendance	88	90

Meetings and Site Visits:

Tuesday August 4, 2026

- Teen Intern Grant meeting with Greta

Saturday August 8, 2026

- Farmers Market Umatilla

Monday August 10, 2026

- Staff and Safety Meeting- Dangers of Distracted Driving

Tuesday August 11, 2026

- Helix Public Library Storytime with Annette

Wednesday August 12, 2026

- Athena Public Library Storytime with Stephanie

Thursday August 13, 2026

- Elsie's In-home Childcare Storytime and materials exchange
- Lil' Sprouts Childcare Storytime and material exchange
- Mindy's Daycare and Preschool material exchange

August Storytime was Bear themed "Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See" by Bill Martin Jr Book and puzzle were shared along with a couple other Bear stories.



Friday August 14, 2026

- Weston Public Library Storytime with Heather

Tuesday August 18, 2026

- Stanfield Public Library Storytime with Cicilli

Wednesday August 19, 2026

- Pilot Rock Public Library Storytime with Susan

Thursday August 20, 2026

- Misty's In-home Childcare materials exchange
- Angie's Kid Kare In-home Childcare Storytime and materials exchange
- Farmers market Helix

Saturday August 22, 2026

- Pilot Rock Community Days Parade

Monday August 24, 2026

- Pioneer Relief Nursery infant/toddler material exchange

Tuesday August 25, 2026

- Walla Walla YMCA at Freewater material exchange with infant/toddlers
- Lily's Kids Academy Storytime and materials exchange with Lily
- Little Ardo's Academy materials exchange with Maria

Wed Aug 26, 2026

- Cathy Wamsley Early Learning Center Storytime and materials exchange with Kayla
- Hermiston Oregon Child Development Coalition materials exchange

Thu Aug 27, 2026

- Milton-Freewater Oregon Child Development Coalition Storytime with Angelica and Anel
- Milton-Freewater Oregon Child Development Coalition Storytime with Maricela and Maggie
- Milton-Freewater Oregon Child Development Coalition materials exchange with Martha
- UCSLD Board Meeting

Fri Aug 28, 2026

- Adams Public Library Storytime with Amanda
- Farmers Market Pendleton



Helix Farmer's Market with Grace and Heather



Giving books to children after the Pilot Rock Community Days Parade.



Grace ready to share her experience as our teen intern with the Board.

Ongoing Projects and Progress:

- Oregon Ready to Read 2026 Grant 67%
- Created and adjusted Take Off schedule to meet needs.
- **Collection development/box revisions for requests and quality.**
- Collect and update slides of library program fliers and event announcements for office window and YouTube
- Submitted Monthly Take Off! Report

Upcoming Projects and Activities:

- Dolly Parton's Imagination Library of Oregon Summit
- Three Languages of Libraries: Messaging Across Political Narratives in Rural Communities training



Giftng books to children and promoting Dolly Parton's Imagination Library at the Pendleton Farmer's Market