I want my child to become a SUCCESSFUL READER!

We pledge to TALK, SING, READ, WRITE and PLAY every day!
Here are some IDEAS for what YOU CAN DO to help get your child READY FOR READING!

TALK: ☑ Go on a walk in your neighborhood and talk about all the sounds you hear. ☑ Tell your child about a childhood pet of yours. ☑ Let your child use a flashlight in a dark room and talk about what you see.

SING: ☑ Sing the alphabet together and clap your hands to the beat. ☑ Put beans or rice inside an oatmeal container and tape shut. Shake your new shaker to the beat of a favorite song! ☑ Play music and move to the beat. Occasionally stop the music and freeze.

READ: ☑ Pick a letter and look for that letter around the room. ☑ Reread a favorite book. Leave out some words to see if your child can say them. ☑ Read a book and talk about the parts of the book: cover, title page, back, etc.

WRITE: ☑ Fill a cookie sheet with salt or sand and practice writing your initials. ☑ Make a grocery list together. ☑ Draw a picture and give it to someone you love!

PLAY: ☑ Crumple some paper balls and play a toss game into a basket. ☑ Have an imaginary birthday party for a stuffed animal. ☑ Pretend to be a dinosaur and stomp around the room!

BONUS: There are also digital tools available to you to help your child build literacy skills! Download the Build A Reader app in your app store (search “Tulsa City-County Library”) and check out MORE activities by registering for Build A Reader on http://tulsalibrary.beanstack.org.

Thank you for participating in the build a reader program at the Tulsa City-County Library!

☐ YES, I want my child to receive a handwritten postcard in the mail from a library staff member welcoming him or her to the library. (The library will NOT share your information.)

☐ No thank you!

Name of child: ________________________________

Address (optional): ____________________________________________________________

Age of child: ________________________________

Library location: ________________________________

Give this card to a library staff member and receive a FREE Build A Reader booklet with more activity ideas!