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## Literacy workshop for children and families set for July 28 in Liberty

**ASHEBORO, N.C. (July 20, 2022)** — Randolph Partnership for Children (RPC) announces it will present an early literacy workshop for children and their parents on Thursday, July 28 at 3 PM to complement the local Kindergarten Summer Bridge Academy.

Liberty Elementary School, along with many other elementary schools in the district, will implement Kindergarten Summer Bridge Academy in August to prepare children for the kindergarten experience. The program acclimates children to skills, routines, and socialization prior to the start of the school year. It will run from August 2-4 and August 8-11 for registered children.

As a complement to the two-week school-based program, Liberty Public Library is hosting workshops to provide learning opportunities for caregivers and children. The workshops are available to all area rising kindergarteners and their families whether they are enrolled in the Academy or not.

"We are honored Randolph Partnership for Children was invited to partner with Liberty Public Library for this fantastic event!" Early Childhood Specialist Kristy Umfleet said. "Hopefully families and children who have not participated in school before will gain new ideas, have some fun, and get excited about starting Kindergarten!"

Umfleet, along with Director of Early Care and Education Andee Edelson, will lead the July 28 workshop, which features the book *Jack's Garden* by Henry Cole. The workshop will include opportunities to discuss the story, act it out, and plant seeds to take home. Family members will learn about The Basics Randolph and the importance of reading and discussing stories on brain growth and development.

The workshop is hosted by Liberty Public Library and will be held in Liberty Town Hall. There is no registration requirement for the workshop. Interested families are encouraged to simply show up at Liberty Town Hall for the event. For more information about the workshops, contact Liberty Public Library at 336-622-4605. For more information about Kindergarten Summer Bridge Academy, contact Liberty Elementary School at 336-622-2253.

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**About the Randolph Partnership for Children:** Since 1999, the Randolph Partnership for Children (RPC), a non-profit organization, has positively impacted the lives of Randolph County's young children. As the community's lead organization for young children and their





families, RPC works with and through diverse agencies, individuals, organizations, and communities to ensure all children enter school healthy and ready to succeed in school and life. RPC is a United Way agency. For more information, visit <u>www.randolphkids.org</u>.

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