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RRSC Story Lines

Annual Fall Appeal - Better Together

Dear Friends of Raising Readers,

While October in Iowa was fairly mild, November seems to understand it's assignment as a "Ber Month." Outside is chilly but things are heating up at RRSC as we launch our annual Fall Fundraising campaign. This is the time of year we toot our horn a bit and spotlight the positive impact we have on the children and families in our community. We see the magic of early talk, having access to books in the home, and empowering caregivers to embrace their all-important role of first teacher. I invite you to join us in our efforts. While we always welcome volunteers and partnership, I thank you for considering a donation to support our future-building work.

Warm regards,

Kristi Mayo
Executive Director
Raising Readers in Story County

Support RRSC!



Click below to support our mission to impact children's literacy and share the joy of reading

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EVENTS and PROGRAMS

What's next?

Check out our calendar of events to see where you'll find Raising Readers in November!

- November 11 & 25
 - **STARS Storytime**RRSC office, North Grand Mall, Ames, 10-10:30 am
- November 23
 - **Cambridge Community Event**Cambridge Library, 9 am-2:30 pm
- November 23
 - **Books-a-Million Book Drive**BAM, Ames, activities for early learners 10:30 am-12 pm

RRSC along with Story County Reads and North Grand Mall partners hosted Malloween 2024 on Oct 30

Malloween Fun!



More fall fun at Nevada's Downtown Trick-or-Treat event on Oct 29



RRSC mission: To support the language and literacy of young children by providing books, caregiver guidance, and early childhood programs.



SMALL TALK IS GROWING!

More options for families available in 2025

-  **Parent & Child Classes** at Raising Readers in North Grand Mall: Thursdays 5-6 pm, January 9 - March 13
-  **Virtual Parent Classes:** Mondays 6-6:45 pm January 13 - March 17
-  **ChildServe Sessions:** Tuesdays 5-6 pm
Available only to ChildServe families
January 7 - March 11

"SMALL TALK HAS HELPED HIM BLOSSOM AND HE'S TRULY A DIFFERENT KID! I'M SO PROUD OF HIM AND CAN'T WAIT TO SEE WHERE HE'S AT BY THE END OF THE 10 WEEKS."

REGISTRATION IS OPEN !





Book Drive

at

BAM!
BOOKS·A·MILLION

Head over to BAM ! - Ames to grab your holiday books and grab another for the children of Story County!

October 20 - December 8

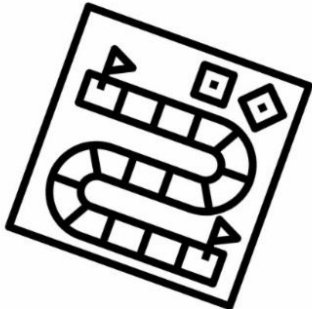
FREE Activities for Early Learners
Saturday, November 23
10:30 - Noon

Free Will Donation Sale

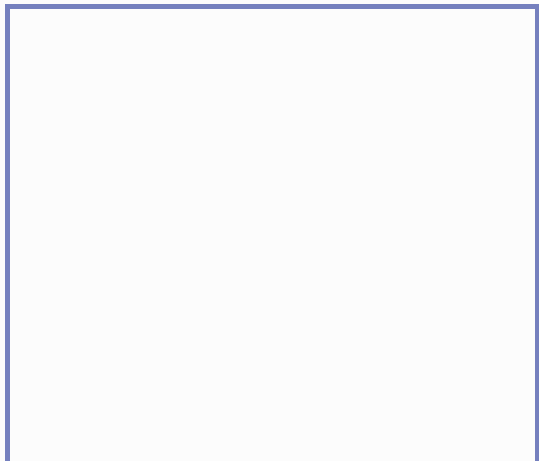
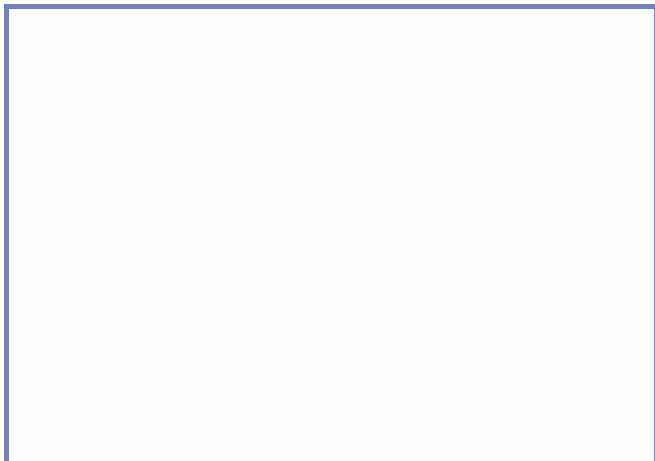


**18-20
NOV**

10AM - 6PM



 **RAISING READERS IN
STORY COUNTY
NORTH GRAND MALL**



We invite all visitors, big and small, to say hello to Dan at the Welcome Desk between 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM on Wednesdays!



Interested in Learning More?

- Stop by our space in the North Grand Mall to chat with our welcome desk volunteers about their experience
- Visit our website at <https://www.raising-readers.org/programs/open-hours-at-the-mall> to see our hours of operation and welcome desk schedule
- Make an appointment with Hanna Bell at hannabell@raising-readers.org to discover how you can become a welcome desk volunteer



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