

2020-2021 **APPLICATION**

TO BECOME A LITERACY BUDDY

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*** Email				
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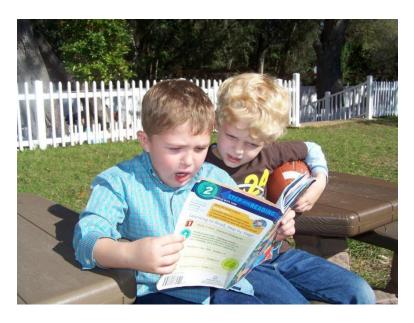
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Literacy Buddy Program



"There is no substitute for books in the life of a child."

Mary Ellen Chase

What is a Literacy Buddy?

A caring volunteer who:

- 1. Agrees to receive letters from a child, age 3 or 4.
- 2. Purchases a book for the child based on his/her interest and writes the child a letter. These are mailed to the child at his/her child care center.
- 3. This exchange takes place 3 times a year.

For many of our children, a book from a Literacy Buddy is the first book they have ever owned.