



Clara B. Mounce Public Library Youth Services Department partners with AgriLIFE Extension of the Texas A & M System!

*Clara B. Mounce Public Library Youth Services Department and AgriLIFE Extension will offer family literacy program, F.R.E.D. (Families Reading Every Day: About Nutrition and Being Active)!*

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***AgriLIFE Extension Families Reading Every Day: about Nutrition and Being Active*** is a program designed to encourage parents, grandparents, and other positive role models to read to their children every day. The program aims to increase parent involvement in children's reading development and to improve the quality of parent-child relationships. ***F.R.E.D.*** is based on the belief that for children to reach their greatest academic potential, parents must be actively involved in all aspects of their children's education and development. This program is part of a local effort called "***Ready to Read @ Your Library***" by our partner, the ***Bryan & College Station Public Library System.***

The ***kick-off event*** will be at the *Clara B. Mounce Public Library* on ***Saturday, July 31 at 10 am.*** Parents/families can sign-up for free library cards for themselves and their children. Research shows that children from families possessing a library card are more likely to succeed in school. The library provides parents and children with access to books without having to buy them. The library also has a large collection of books in Spanish. At this event we will have families register for FRED, receive the program materials, and fill out a pre-survey. There will also be a drawing for two door prizes for those who attend.