



EARLY LEARNING COALITION
OF ORANGE COUNTY



**Welcome
to the Book
Buddy
program!**

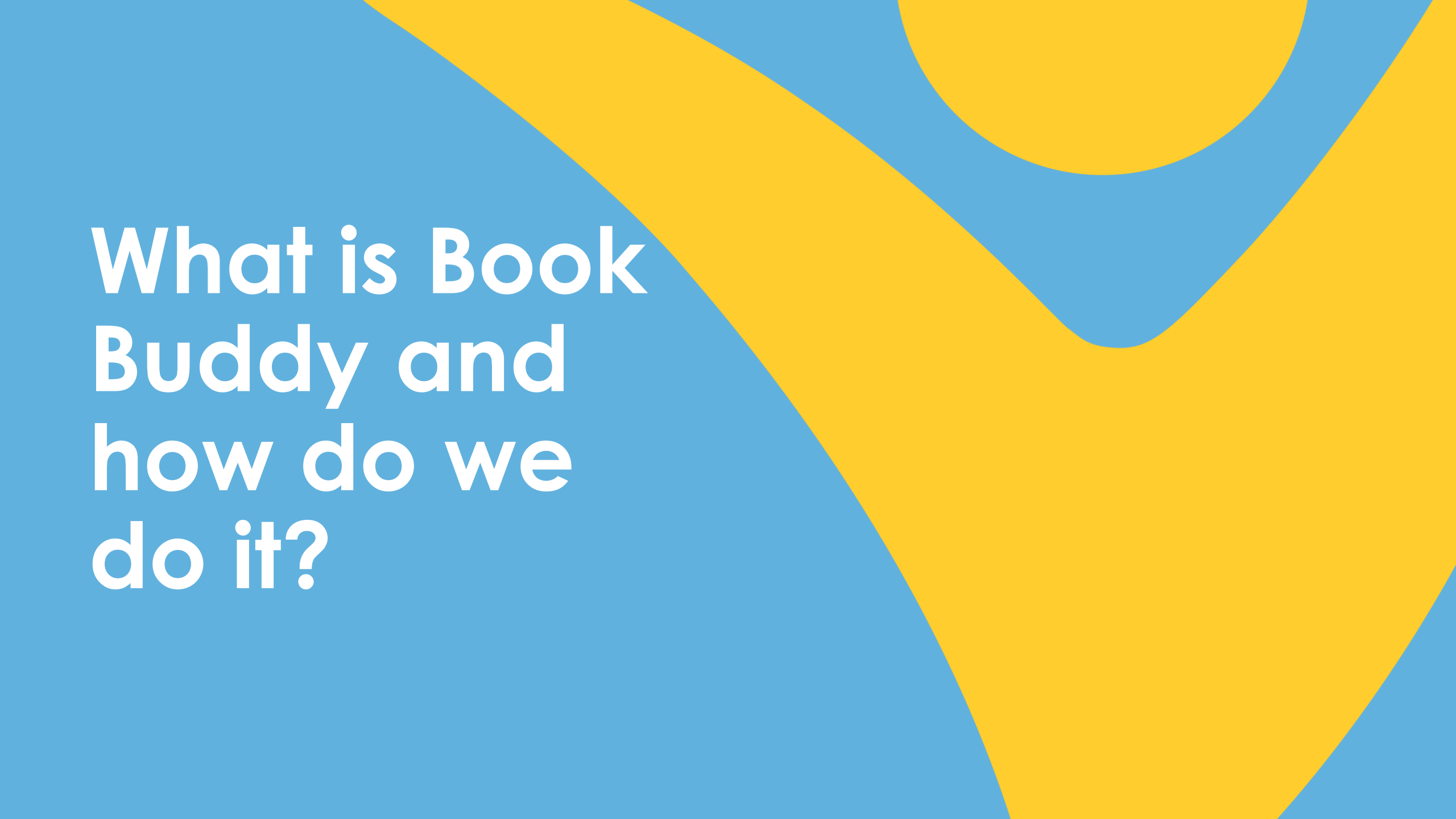


OUR VISION...

is for every child in Orange County to enter kindergarten with the foundation necessary to reach their full potential.

OUR MISSION...

is to provide every child with equal access to high-quality early learning programs by supporting those who help children grow and develop.



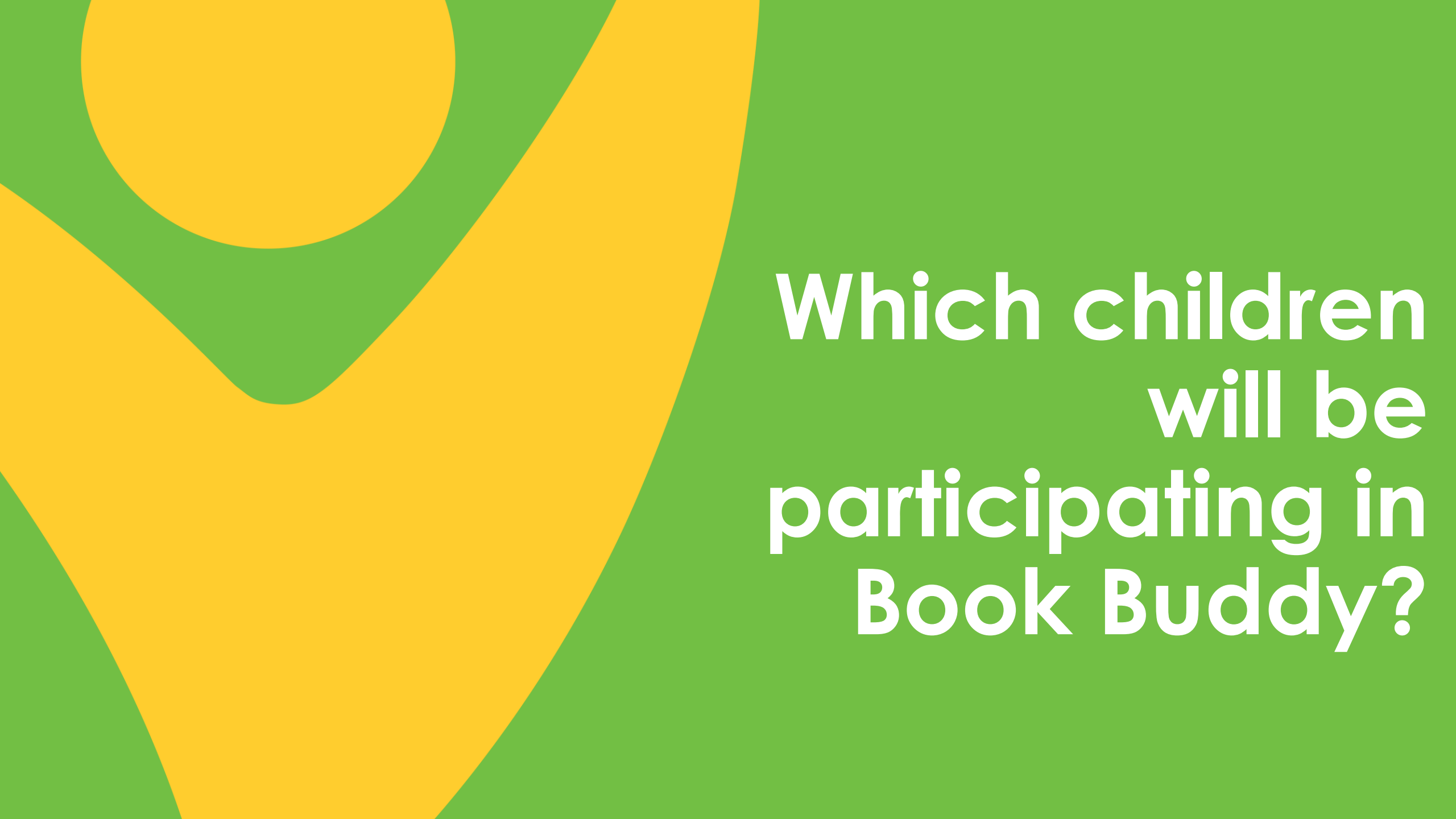
**What is Book
Buddy and
how do we
do it?**



WHAT IS A PROVIDER?

A provider is an early learning center, home care provider, or child care center.



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**Which children
will be
participating in
Book Buddy?**



BOOK BUDDY GOALS:

- Support early learning and emerging literacy skills.
- Promote kindergarten readiness and future academic success.

CHILDREN WILL:

- Demonstrate a knowledge of words and how we use them.
- Demonstrate writing skills.
- Comprehend and discuss stories in a book.

AS A BIG BOOK BUDDY, YOU....

- **Invest** in a child's early years.
- **Provide** a positive reading experience.
- **Reinforce literacy** and social development skills.
- **Serve** as early literacy advocates.
- **Encourage** a child to read at home.
- **Support parents** with school readiness resources.





DID YOU KNOW?

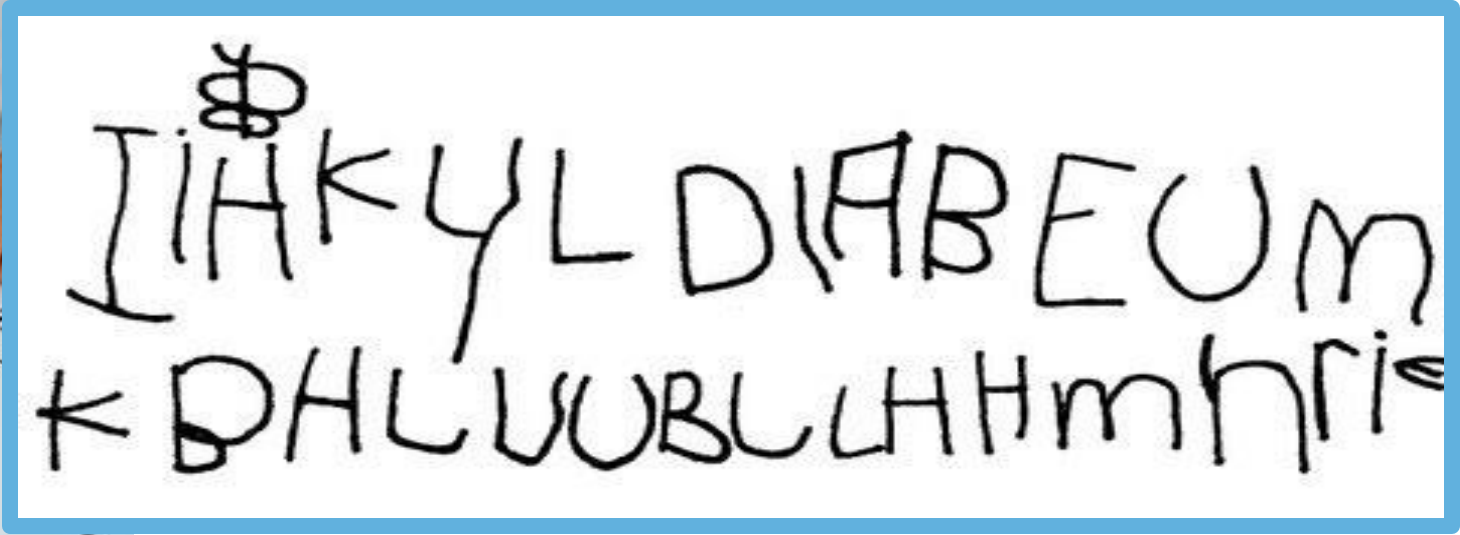
- Children in economically depressed communities have **zero to two age-appropriate books** in their homes.
- By age four, low-income children experience a **30 million word deficit** compared to their more economically advantaged peers. (Hart & Risley 1995)



DID YOU KNOW?

- **One out of three Orange County children** enter school not ready to succeed.
- Children who are prepared when they enter kindergarten are **more likely to graduate high school** and enroll in college.

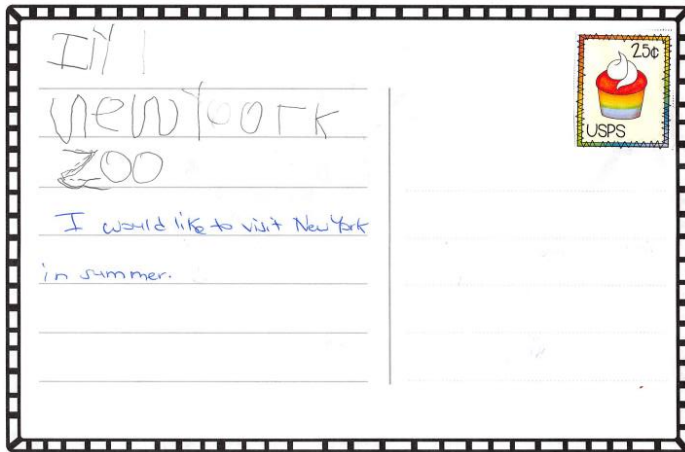
WRITING AND READING MILESTONES



EXAMPLE "LETTERS"



Central Park New York



The big bad wolf blow the house down.
The pigs had no where else to go!
I "drove" the car and picked them up and
"talked" them to my house!
Little red hiding hood "broke" the chair in
the house!



My vacation to the Farm



SCHOOL TO HOME CONNECTION

- Classroom lesson plans.
- Take home activities.
- Classroom kits.



PROGRAM OUTLINE

- Little Book Buddy **creates their “letter”**.
- **“Letter” sent to you** via email and mail.
- You **purchase a book** and write a response note.
- Little Book Buddy **receives their book**.
- Each child completes a **at-home project** related to their book.
- Exchange and purchase takes place **three times per school year**.



ELCOC BOOK BUDDY PROGRAM

Welcome Book Buddy!



Thank you for being a Book Buddy! Thank you for your commitment to make a long-lasting impact and instill a love of reading in a child's life!

Step 1: Review important dates and mark your calendars!

September 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 This year concludes the season of great gifts from Book Buddies.		
8	9	10 The first session starts at 10:00am in the library.	11	12	13	14
October 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
11	14	15 Please take your Book Buddy's first letter card to give the author and read!	16	17	18	19
20	21	22 Book #1 order deadline	23	24	25	26

Step 2: Review the volunteer manual.

[VOLUNTEER MANUAL](#)

Step 3: Choose your custom portal:

- Barnes & Noble

[BARNES & NOBLE ORDER GUIDE](#)

- Writer's Block

[WRITER'S BLOCK ORDER GUIDE](#)

For questions please contact the Book Buddy team via email:
BookBuddy@elcoc.org

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Newsletter Sign Up

Sign up for news updates and information on our various programs.

First Name*

Last Name*

Email Address*

[SUBMIT](#)

Book Buddy Webpage

PROGRAM CALENDAR



BOOK BUDDY CALENDAR

DECEMBER 2020

Important Dates:



Dec 15th: Your little Book

Buddy's Letter is sent to you
via email and mail



Dec 21st: Last day to purchase
a book!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 	16	17	18	19
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27	28	29	30	31		

amazon

The Amazon logo, featuring the word "amazon" in a bold, lowercase, sans-serif font. Below the text is a thick, orange arrow that starts under the 'a' and curves upwards and to the right, ending under the 'n'.

PURCHASING BOOKS

Amazon

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amazon.com [SIGN IN](#) [SHOPPING & PAYMENT](#) [GIFT OPTIONS](#) [PLACE ORDER](#)

Select a shipping address

Please enter a shipping address for this order. Please also indicate whether your billing address is the same as your shipping address. If you are sending items to more than one address, click the "Add another address" button to enter additional addresses.

Enter a new shipping address.

When finished, click the "Continue" button.

Full name:

Address line 1:

Address line 2:

City:

State/Province/Region:

ZIP:

Country/Region:

Phone number: [\(Learn more\)](#)

Additional Address Details [\(What's this?\)](#)
Preferences are used to plan your delivery. However, shipments can sometimes

Country/Region:

Search by Address:
e.g. 333 Boren Ave N

Search by Zip Code:
e.g. 98109

Search by Landmark:

Search by

Input your full name followed by "Book Buddy", the Early Learning Coalition's address, and your phone number, as shown.

Book Buddy, Your Full Name
7700 Southland Blvd.
Suite 100
Orlando, FL 32809
Your phone number

Amazon Instructions

Search

ZIP:

Country/Region:

United States

Phone number: [\(Learn more\)](#)

Add delivery instructions (optional)

Do we need additional instructions to find this address?

Provide details such as building description, a nearby landmark, or navigation instructions

Do we need a security code or a call box number to access this building?

Weekend delivery:

Do not deliver on weekends

I can receive packages on

Saturday Sunday

By unchecking both boxes, you are opting out of weekend deliveries

Deliver to this address

Address Accuracy

Make sure you get your stuff! If the address is not entered correctly, your package may be returned as undeliverable. You would then have to place a new order. Save time and avoid frustration by entering the address information in the appropriate boxes and double-checking for typos and other errors. Need help?

Click for address tips:

- [General Address Tips](#)
- [APO/FPO Address Tips](#)

Under “Weekend delivery”, please be sure that you **uncheck** the Saturday and Sunday boxes.

Amazon

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SIGN IN SHIPPING & PAYMENT GIFT OPTIONS PLACE ORDER

Be sure to click "Gift Receipt" only.
We ask that you DO NOT request a gift bag/box.

Choose your gift options

Gift Receipt
Prices will be hidden on the receipt.

Gift Bag/Box - \$3.99

Gift Message
Printed on the gift receipt.

Dear Johnny,
I hope you enjoy your "Pete the Cat" book. I don't have any cats, but I have two dogs. My dogs' names are Cagney and Lacey.
Happy reading!
Mary

Not accepted characters: ''

77 characters - 150

Cancel Save gift options

Estimated delivery: Tuesday, Oct. 30 \$19.98 - One-Day Shipping

Do you need help? Explore our [Help pages](#) or [contact us](#).

For an item sold by Amazon.com: When you click the "Place your order" button, we'll send you an email message acknowledging receipt of your order and an email notifying you that the item has been shipped.

Colorado, Oklahoma, South Dakota and Vermont Purchasers: Important information regarding sales tax you may owe in your State.

Within 30 days of delivery, you may return new, unopened merchandise in its original condition. Exceptions and restrictions apply. See Amazon.com's [Returns Policy](#).

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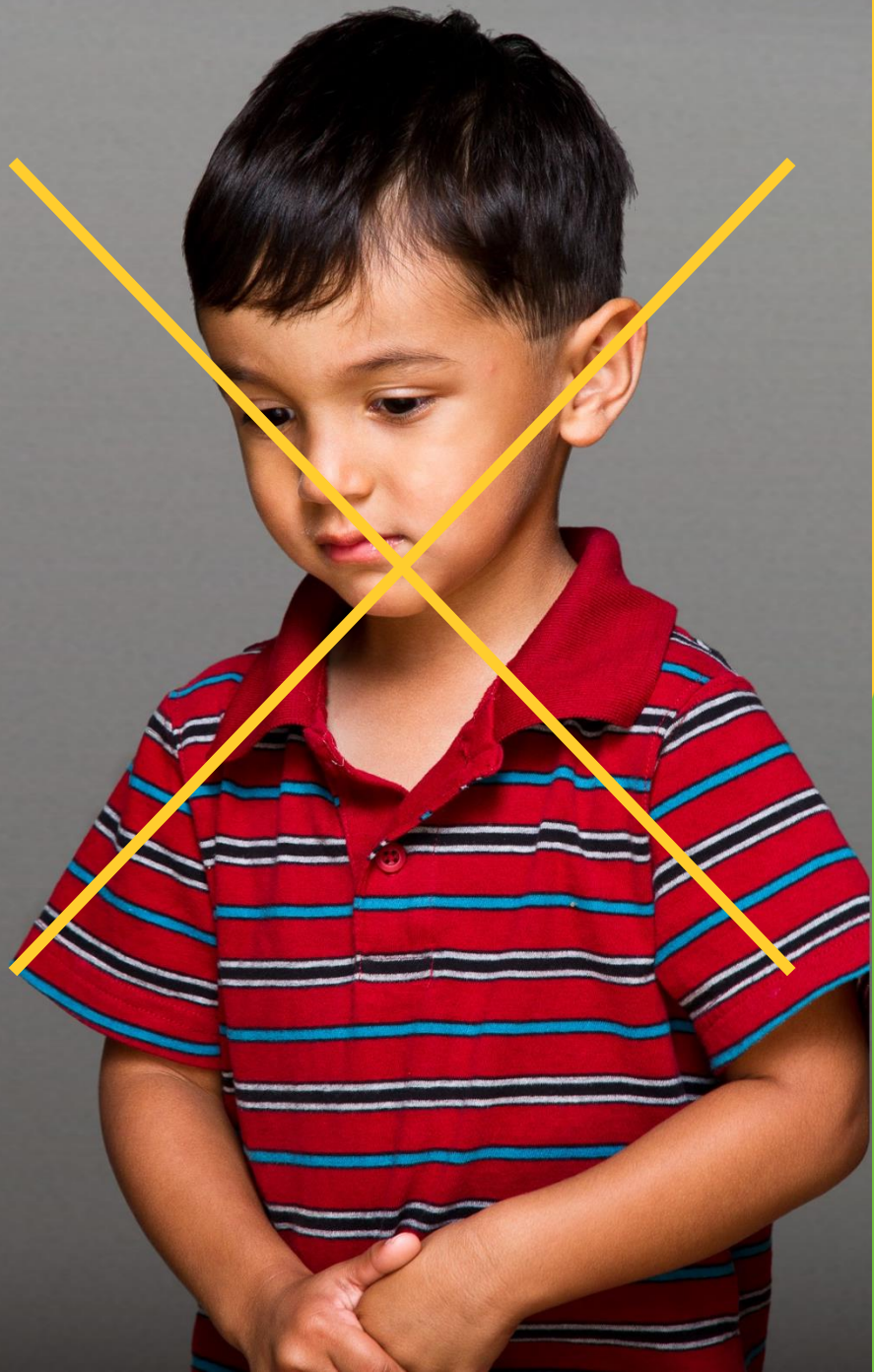
Type your note back to your Book Buddy here.



INFO TO REMEMBER

- Approximate cost for all three books: \$30.
- Stick to the provided book list.
- Extra book option.







PROGRAM SECURITY

- All correspondence facilitated by the Early Learning Coalition of Orange County
- Only first names used
- Standards of confidentiality maintained



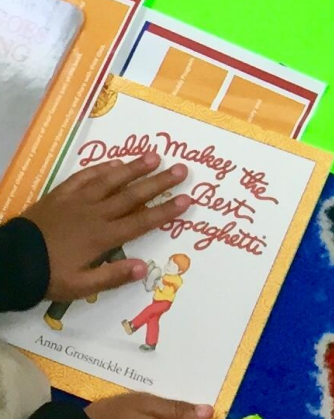
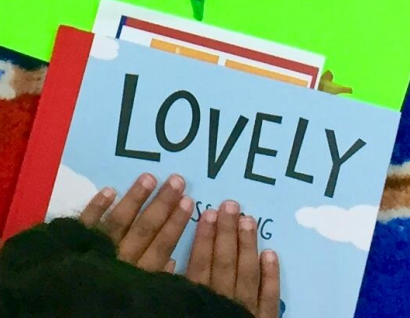
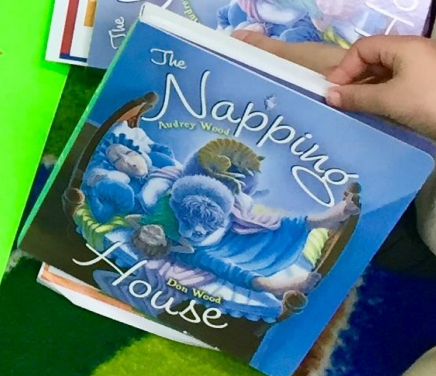
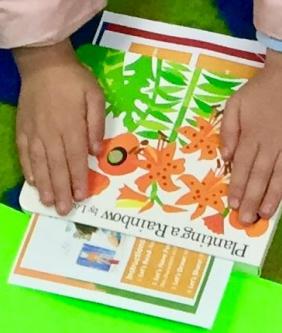
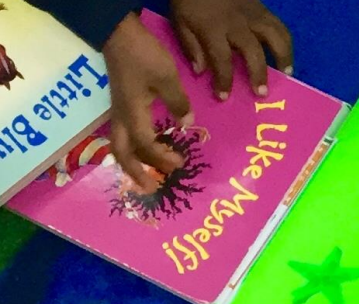
KEYS TO SUCCESS

- Keep a lookout for emails from us.
- Check the Book Buddy Hub often.
 - Order your books early.
 - Have fun!!!

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Questions?

Thank you,
Book Buddies!



QUESTIONS OR SUGGESTIONS?

Contact us at:

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