

Florida's Future Prosperity: Why Grade Level Reading Matters so Much



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Why Important?

- 57% Proficiency, improved but sitting stagnant
- 78% from low-income families
- Learn to Read/Read to Learn
- 4x and 13x!
- Global competition

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CAMPAIGN FOR

GRADE-LEVEL

READING



3RD GRADE READING
SUCCESS MATTERS

Four networks

- Florida Business Leaders Alliance
- State Policy Leaders Network
- Community of Practice
- Engaging other funders

Accomplishments

- Supporting system change
 - Legislation (HB 1091 enacted)
 - Policy (school readiness, summer learning, attendance)
- Supporting community engagement (10 to 16 and growing)
- Engaging business...more needed

Next Steps

- Expansion of the work
- Build on foundation of the past several years to provide infrastructure for systems change to improve 3rd grade reading
 - Strengthen public policy
 - Expand community partnerships
 - Increase support for infants and toddlers
 - Expand evidence-based summer learning





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