# **Toyota Family Literacy Program** Memphis City Schools- Memphis, Tennessee

# **TFLP Statistics**

#### **Berclair Elementary**

- 46% Hispanic
- 51% English language learners
- 88% low income

## **Participating Schools**

Berclair Elementary 810 North Perkins Memphis, TN 38122 901.416.8800 Principal: Dr. Sam Shaw

Egypt Elementary 4160 Karen Cove Memphis, TN 38128 901.416.4150 Principal: Rita White

South Park Elementary 1720 Getwell Avenue Memphis, TN 38111 901.416.5024 Principal: Rebecca Dappe





#### **Egypt Elementary**

- 23% Hispanic
- 22% English language learners
- 96% low income

#### **South Park Elementary**

- 23% Hispanic
- 22% English language learners

Long-Range Goals We would like to be able to: - do a job interview in English - get our GED - holp my child in school - go to a college or trade school

be fluent in English be able to be indendent and do things by myself

Short-Range Goals

• 96% low income

### **Community Facts**

- The total population of Memphis is 661,547.
- 20.6% of the population is low income.
- 37% of the population 16 and older is not in the labor force.
- More than 110,000 students are enrolled in the school system.
- Congressmen John S.

Tanner (8th District) and Steve Cohen (9th District) represent the Congressional districts where the TFLP sites are located.

• Estimated rates of adults lacking basic prose literacy skills in Shelby County average 14 percent.

### **Community Partners**

- Association of Catholic Charities
- Bella Vista Iglesia
- Elliston Baptist Academy
- Latino Memphis

# About the Toyota Family Literacy Program

### **About TFLP**

The Toyota Family Literacy Program (TFLP) was established in 2003 by the National Center for Family Literacy (NCFL) with funding from Toyota to meet the urgent educational needs of Hispanic and other immigrant families.

TFLP works to improve the language and literacy skills of the family and to connect parents to their children's education and their children's school. Since 2003, more than 600 school districts have applied for the award. Currently, 75 schools in 25 cities have implemented the program.

### 4 Component Model

- Children's Education: positively impacts student achievement
- Adult Education/ESL: includes strategies for helping parents learn to speak, understand, read and write English and to support their children's education
- **Parent Time:** parents discover their strengths as family leaders and their children's first teacher
- Parent and Child Together (PACT) Time: parents are connected directly to their children's classroom and teacher; teachers model learning strategies and techniques

#### 2003 TFLP CITIES

Chicago Public Schools (Chicago, IL) District of Columbia Public Schools (Washington, DC) Los Angeles Unified School District (Los Angeles, CA) New York City Public Schools (New York, NY) Providence Public Schools (Providence, RI)

#### 2005 TFLP CITIES

Chelsea Public Schools (Chelsea, MA) Denver Public Schools (Denver, CO) Detroit Public Schools (Detroit, MI) Santa Paula Elementary School District (Santa Paula, CA) Shelby County Public Schools (Shelby County, AL)

#### 2006 TFLP CITIES

Chula Vista Elementary School District (Chula Vista, CA) Orange County Public Schools (Orlando, FL) Southwest Independent School District (San Antonio, TX) Wichita Public Schools (Wichita, KS) Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools (Winston-Salem, NC)



### **TFLP Statistics**

- Teachers' rating of TFLP students' reading scores were significantly higher than the non-TFLP children's ratings, indicating that TFLP has a large effect on the participating children's reading levels. The TFLP children's increases were almost twice that of their counterparts.
- TFLP parents showed statistically significant gains in their English language and literacy skills, improving by at least one ESL/literacy level after one year of participation.
- TFLP families increased the frequency of community activities they participated in with their children.

#### 2007 TFLP CITIES

Granite School District (Salt Lake City, UT) Highline Public Schools (Burien/Seattle, WA) Mesa Public Schools (Mesa, AZ) Miami-Dade County Public Schools (Miami, FL) Oakland Unified School District (Oakland, CA)

#### 2008 TFLP CITIES

Clark County School District (Las Vegas, NV) Las Cruces Public Schools (Las Cruces, NM) Long Beach Unified School District (Long Beach, CA) Memphis City Schools (Memphis, TN) Springdale Public Schools (Springdale, AR)

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