Community Campaign for Grade-Level Reading: *Third Grade Reading Success Matters!*

**Agenda**

**8:30** Third Grade Reading Success Matters: Welcome!  
Staci Shaw, Early Literacy Projects Coordinator, Idaho Commission for Libraries

**8:45** Keynote: Ron Fairchild, National Campaign for Grade-Level Reading  
Why third grade reading success matters, Community Campaigns

**9:30** Panel: Existing Programs and Initiatives in Our Community:  
Dr. Patti Mortensen, Director of Elementary Education, Pocatello/Chubbuck School District; Jeanne Farnworth, Librarian, Portneuf Library; Kathryn Poulter, Librarian, Marshall Public Library; and Sherrilynn Bair, Director, Snake River Community Library

**10:00** Call to Action  
LeAnn Simmons, Executive Director, Idaho Voices for Children

**10:15** Building Community Networks  
Current data for each community; identify areas of need; identify resources; identify key participants

**11:00** Next Steps  
Forming coalitions, establishing goals, creating a networking space

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**Outcomes:**

1) Participants will increase their knowledge of why it is important for children to read by third grade, the impact of third-grade reading proficiency on college and career readiness, and the issues that impede grade-level reading proficiency.

2) Participants will identify others in their communities working on grade-level reading proficiency, and develop 1-2 next steps within their own organizations to address the issues above.

3) Each session will generate lists of individuals and organizations who are interested in forming coalitions in their communities to further the goals of the Campaign for Grade Level Reading.
Notes and Contacts