



Literacy Service Plan 2012-2013

Early Years and Adult Literacy

The government has, over the past few years, invested in early literacy, recognizing the importance of skills development at an early age. With this investment comes the realization that children need parents who have literacy skills and function well within the essential skills outlined by the government.

Partnerships have been established in many communities where adult literacy and early literacy organizations are joining together through marketing campaigns, literacy programming, Family Literacy Day, conferences and information/referral agreements.

A holistic approach to literacy is essential in developing skills that not only increase adult literacy levels and essential skill levels, but also increase the literacy skill levels of children. This is accomplished through the development of literacy partnerships.

In Hamilton, Early Literacy Hamilton (a sub-committee of Best Start) brings many community partners together to collaborate, plan and support the vision of making Hamilton the best place to raise a child.

The Adult Basic Education Association represents the adult literacy programs at the Early Literacy Hamilton table.