

IMPACT STORY

Greenbush Consortium

Garnett USD 365



TIMELINE OF ACTIVITIES

2018-2019

Began professional development and resource selection for district consistency. Books for all classrooms.

2020-2021

Literacy curriculum and PD are consistent districtwide. Community families have access to more books.

2019-2020

Districtwide PD and resources. Community StoryWalk, Little Free Libraries and Dolly Parton Imagination Library began.

GARNETT ELEMENTARY

Thanks to funding from LiNK, Garnett USD 365 communities benefit from a new StoryWalk*, Little Free Libraries, and participation with the Dolly Parton Imagination Library.

Garnett's LiNK team created a StoryWalk* with 20 outdoor signs to display a new book each month. School and community members are involved with this monthly activity, which is located outside Garnett Elementary School:

- Sixth-grade students change the book each month during library time.
- Classes use the StoryWalk* as a classroom adventure.
- Parents and child care providers bring children to the StoryWalk* outside of school hours.
- Students enjoy the StoryWalk* during recess.
- Books correspond with the "Word of the Month" (ex. cooperation).



Garnett Elementary School students have an opportunity to read new books while getting physical activity with the new community StoryWalk.

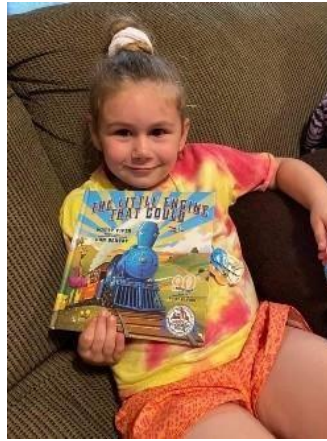
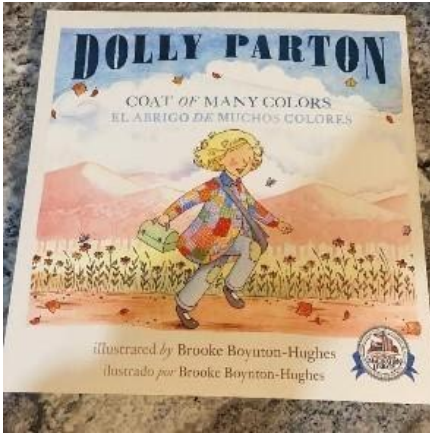
COMMUNITY BENEFITS FROM LITERACY ACTIVITIES

Little Free Libraries were created in the Greeley and Westphalia communities with LiNK to make free books available for families.

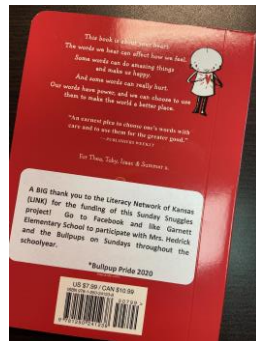
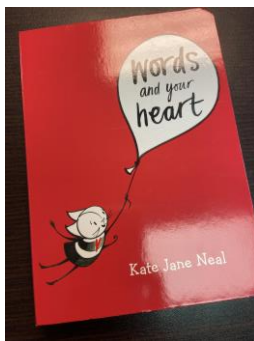
LiNK funds also allow for participation with the Dolly Parton Imagination Library. All children living in Anderson County ages 0 to 5 years are eligible to receive a free book each month until their fifth birthday.

**A StoryWalk is a literacy and physical activity tool that engages community members in reading children's books in unique environments. The StoryWalk is a series of signs featuring sequential pages from a children's picture book spread through indoor or outdoor spaces in all seasons, allowing a reader to follow along with the story by walking.*

ANDERSON COUNTY - DOLLY PARTON IMAGINATION LIBRARY



Sunday Snuggles (a family connection with Facebook Live) - offers a book to every student to read at home while the principal is reading the book aloud on Facebook Live.



GARNETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STORYWALK GREELEY AND WESTPHALIA COMMUNITY LITTLE LIBRARIES

