

Big Brothers Big Sisters
For more than 100 years, Big Brothers Big Sisters has operated under the belief that inherent in every child is the ability to succeed and thrive in life. As the nation's largest donor and volunteer supported mentoring network, Big Brothers Big Sisters makes meaningful, monitored matches between adult volunteers ("Bigs") and children ("Littles"), ages 6 through 18, in communities across the country. We develop positive relationships that have a direct and lasting effect on the lives of young people.

Girl Scouts of Louisiana: Pines to the Gulf

Girl Scouts is the nation's leading organization dedicated to helping all girls fulfill their potential and gain valuable skills to ensure their future success. Girl Scouts offers girls in grades K-12 six levels to discover premier personal growth and leadership development experience. In a friendly, accepting, and nurturing environment, and in partnership with committed adult volunteers, girls develop strong values, leadership skills, social conscience, and conviction about their own potential and self-worth.

Volunteer Instructors Teaching Adults

The mission of Volunteer Instructors Teaching Adults (VITA) is to promote literacy in Acadiana by teaching reading and writing skills to undereducated adults so that each individual may become more independent of others in the structuring and directing of his/her own life.

LITERACY LINKS

A Partnership to Improve Family Literacy

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Acadiana (337) 269-0454
Girl Scouts of Louisiana — Pines to the Gulf 1-800-960-2093
Volunteer Instructors Teaching Adults (337)234-4600



- ◆ Big Brothers Big Sisters of Acadiana provides mentoring support for a young girl in the Reading Readiness Program to develop and improve reading skills.
- ◆ Girls Scouts of Louisiana — Pines to the Gulf fosters a girl's potential through the Leadership experience program on a girl's chosen pathway
- ◆ Volunteer Instructors Teaching Adults helps the parent improve his/her literacy, language and life skills to increase the parent's ability to engage in the child's

Who Is Eligible for Literacy Links?

- ◆ Any K-5th grade girl currently enrolled in the Lafayette Parish School System with a parent interested in strengthening his/her skills
- ◆ Any adult parent/guardian who would like to help his/her elementary school-aged daughter to improve her reading skills
- ◆ Any adult parent/guardian wishing to encourage a child to improve her reading skills by strengthening his/her own skills