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The JES Way: Every Child. Every Opportunity. Every Time.

Jeffersonville Elementary School has been making a positive impact for more than a year now with a grant entitled Vitamins Reading & Literacy. The grant is designed to equip parents with strategies and tools that will lay a solid foundation for two and three year olds and boost their expressive and receptive vocabulary in preparation for preschool.

I have had the opportunity to meet the families throughout the process and can attest to the satisfaction of the parents regarding the growth of their little ones. The grant truly embodies the theme of increasing literacy. Our ultimate goal at Jeffersonville Elementary is that every child is reading on or above their grade level. The Vitamins Reading & Literacy Grant supports this goal at the ground level. Families participating receive books, tips, healthy foods, and other resources that promote a mindset that high-quality early childhood education is Priority #1.

Some parents have other children currently enrolled in our school. Their involvement in the grant keeps them closely connected to us and research proves that family engagement impacts student achievement. I believe in this grant and the work that is being done. It has expanded our partnerships with the community, provided families with materials to create everyday learning experiences, and addresses the whole child. It is therefore my recommendation that the Twiggs County School District be strongly considered for the 2019 Leading Edge Award.

Professionally Submitted by,

Jamie Paulk on behalf of Jeffersonville Elementary School