

PALMETTO LITERACY COUNCIL

BUILDING A STRONGER COMMUNITY THROUGH LITERACY



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Our Kids Are Making Progress!



Caroline Parks holds her certificate for completing *Passages to Comprehension, Level 2 - Read Closely*. She is very energetic and enjoys her tutoring sessions.



Ta'maries Bellamy is doing an outstanding job with his math lessons. His certificate is for *Mammoth Math, Level 2, Chapter 3*. His tutor is **John Boyle**.



Congratulations to **Gabby Vizcarra** for completing the *Read Closely* section! Gabby's reading and comprehension improve weekly, and she is a delightful young lady!



London Selwa has completed *2nd Grade Interpret Word Choice*. Her tutor is **Kathy Coulom**.



Congratulations to **Christopher (CJ) Wilson** for completing the *Smart Steps Level 1 Binder* and moving up to *Passages to Comprehension Level 2*. CJ works with his tutor, **Jeff Pickens**, in the Little River Library.

New Volunteer Liaison at Carolina Forest Library

This is **Iris Ayala-Jovel**, the new Volunteer Liaison at Carolina Forest Library. We are so excited to welcome Ms Iris to the Palmetto Literacy Council team.



Caroline and Claudia Parks Graduate from PLC!



Congratulations, **Caroline and Claudia Parks**, for graduating from Palmetto Literacy Council on August 26th at Horry County Memorial Surfside Beach Library. We had Claudia's and Caroline's parents, their brother, sister, Auntie, grandfather, JoAnne Murray (Volunteer Liaison for Surfside Beach), Diane Rumfelt (Claudia's tutor), Madison Enderle (CCU Intern-Assistant Program Manager), and Dodi at the celebration. These young ladies have done their reading and will continue! We are so proud of them!



2025 Golf Scramble - Only a Few Spots Left!



Hey Golfers! Join us at **Shaftesbury Glen Golf and Fish Club** for our 5th Annual Golf Scramble on **Saturday, September 13 from 7:30am-2:30pm**. All funds raised at this exciting event are used to support PLC's literacy programs.

Lunch and breakfast included. Also, Mulligans are available online or at the course on the day of the event.

Sign Up Now! [Click Here!](#)

Please contact Ellen Sycks at [\(843\) 839-9102](tel:8438399102) or ellen@palmettoliteracy.org if you have questions or need additional information.

Our Second Annual Adult Spelling Bee is Coming!



ADULT SPELLING BEE COMPETITION

The Adult Team Spelling Bee committee is planning...come join!
Contact Ellen Sycks at [\(843\) 839-9102](tel:8438399102) or ellen@palmettoliteracy.org

Donations

We are a nonprofit 501(c)(3). We use grants and donations to provide free tutoring for our children and adults in Horry County who struggle with basic reading, writing, and/or math. Thank you to all who have donated to our organization. Your donations have provided materials for our Volunteer Tutors to use and helped our students learn!

We are grateful for any donations. You can donate on the PLC website by [clicking here](#).

Speaking Engagements

If you have a service organization and need speakers, we would be happy to provide your organization with information about the Palmetto Literacy Council. Contact Ellen Sycks at [\(843\) 839-9102](tel:843-839-9102) or ellen@palmettoliteracy.org

A Message From The Director



Hello!

September is **National Family Literacy Month**! Time to read to each other! Share the joy of reading with each family member!

AND ... School is back in session! Please be careful on the roads. Our children are getting on and off school buses. They are our future!

In order for our program to be sustainable, we have implemented a sliding scale tuition fee for students starting September 1. Our current students and those who have completed their screenings will

not be a part of this new program, unless they wish to participate and help us out.

The **Frank Garrick Golf Tournament**, supporting the Palmetto Literacy Council, is scheduled for Saturday, September 13, 2025, at Shaftesbury Glen Golf and Fish Club. Hurry and get your team together, we're almost sold out!

We have 40+ students on the waitlist throughout Horry County. We are looking for Volunteers!

Have a great start to the new school year and fall!

Stay safe and healthy!

Dodi

Volunteers

We have almost our largest number of students being tutored. We still have close to 40 students on the waitlist. We are looking for volunteers!

If you can help, please attend one of our **Volunteer Orientation and Training** sessions or give the office a call (843) 945-9278. You can check when the Volunteer Orientation and Training sessions are scheduled on our [Calendar](#) on our website. The next VOT sessions are listed below. We welcome you to bring friends to these sessions.

Dates to Note

You can always check the Calendar on the PLC website. [Click Here](#).

These events take place at the office,

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Volunteer Orientations and Training

If you know anyone interested in volunteering to tutor, please let them know about the Volunteer Orientations and Training (VOT). We're willing to work with someone on a different date if these don't work.

- Wednesday, September 10, 2025, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm
- Tuesday, September 23, 2025, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Announcements for **Tutor Talks** will come in an email directly to the tutors.

Our Mission:

The Palmetto Literacy Council's mission is to improve the literacy of youth and adults in our community by tutoring literacy skills for those who struggle with basic Reading, Writing and/or Math.

Donate Now!

If you've read this far, you're obviously interested in what we do. Your donation helps pay for student binders, office space, copy machines, paper, and much more. Please donate what you can today!

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