



Read Across America and Dr. Seuss' Birthday Celebration at the Northwest Library



El Paso Community College (EPCC) Northwest Campus Library will be holding various interactive activities in observance of **Dr. Seuss' Birthday** (Theodore Geisel, children's author) and the **National Read Across America** celebrations, during the month of March. All activities promote literacy, reading, technology interaction, music instruments and much more, and they are all free and open to the public.

Read Across America Day is a nationwide reading celebration that takes place annually on March 2—Dr. Seuss's birthday. Across the country, thousands of schools, libraries, and community centers participate by bringing together kids, teens, and books. This annual event is sponsored by the **EPCC Spring Arts Festival**, which optimizes the importance of community and communication through music, reading and technology.

What: National Read Across America & Dr. Seuss Birthday Celebration

When: March 2nd – 6th 2015
9:00 am -11:00 am

Where: Jenna Welch & Laura Bush Community Library
El Paso Community College Northwest Campus
6701 S. Desert Blvd. El Paso, TX 79932

Who: About six hundred pre-K through third grade students from Gonzalo and Sofia Garcia Elementary, Davenport Elementary, and Bill Childress Elementary will participate during the March celebrations.

Library staff will lead the students in very active reading with bright-early books, such as *There's a Zamp in my Lamp* by Dr. Seuss and *Hand, Hand, Finger, Thumb* by Al Perkins. Reading with rhythm is followed by a drumming workshop with Karuna Warren's African drums where the children beat and bang rhythms on 60 drums.



There are also themed activities on iPads, Smart Tables and a *Cat in the Hat* treasure hunt which will take the children all around campus for college awareness. The two-hour program includes a tour of the Northwest Community College campus to encourage college-going culture; and concludes on a party with healthy treats.

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