

*Hawaii Family Literacy Consortium/ (808) 692-8210*

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## Consultants on Board



The Hawaii Family Literacy Consortium welcomes Dr. Meta Potts and Dr. Andy Hayes as the consultants to the Even Start Family Literacy Initiative. Dr. Potts and Dr. Hayes has worked previously with family literacy projects in the State of Hawaii. Dr. Potts has conducted family literacy training sessions locally and is a certified national trainer with the National Center for Family Literacy as well as Equipped For The Future. Dr. Hayes wrote the first evaluation of the Hawaii Family Literacy Pilot Project for reporting year 1990-93. Dr. Hayes also wrote a manual called "Designing and Implementing Family Literacy Programs in Hawaii". Both Dr. Potts and Dr. Hayes have worked for the National Center for Family Literacy (NCFL) and are both well known across the nation for their knowledge of family literacy. Hawaii is lucky to have these two people share their expert knowledge with us. .

## HFLC Web Site

At the end of February, the Hawaii Family Literacy Consortium's Web Site became a reality. Through a partnership with the Western/Pacific LINCS, our new web site is <http://literacynet.org/hflc>

Links to various web sites concerning family literacy and adult literacy is available. Our web site is part of the Hawaii Literacy Web site that was also developed by this organization. This web site address is: <http://literacynet.org/hawaii>

It is hoped that other literacy programs in the state will be able to tap into this resource.





## NCFL Conference in Dallas, Texas

The National Center for Family Literacy will be having their annual conference on March 18-20, 2001, in Dallas, Texas. This is the 10<sup>th</sup> annual conference and this year's key note speakers will be James Earl Jones, a heralded stage and screen actor, and Christopher Cerf, who is a Grammy and Emmy-winning composer and lyricist. For more information about the conference, go to [www.fam.lit.org](http://www.fam.lit.org) and click on the conference link. Several programs from Hawaii will be attending the conference and Read To Me International will be doing two presentations on Sunday on the topic of "Rhyme, Rhythm, and Reading". Consortium members will report on the conference at April's consortium meeting.



## Program Indicators

The Hawaii Family Literacy Consortium is presently working on six program indicators that they are developing for the State of Hawaii. Through the help of Dr. Meta Potts, these indicators should be ready by June and will be posted on the consortium's web site. The six indicators that are required by the US Department of Education are:

### Adult Learning:

- Achievement in reading, writing, English language acquisition, problem solving and numeracy.
- Entry into postsecondary education, job training program, employment or career advancement, including the military.
- Receipt of a high school diploma or GED.

### Children's Learning:

- Improvement in ability to read on grade level or reading readiness.
- School attendance.
- Grade retention and promotion

**For more information on program indicators and other state's program indicators, call the HFLC Office at 692-8210.**

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to improve and  
support Family  
Literacy in Hawaii***

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See us at:

<http://literacynet.org/hflc>



## Consortium Meeting Dates

The Hawaii Family Literacy Consortium decided at its February meeting to cancel the monthly meeting for March due to several members attending the NCFL conference. The next consortium meeting will be held on April 12<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 am to 11:30 am, at McKinley Community School for Adults, Room 219

## Read Aloud Conference

Read To Me International Foundation is having their 2001 Read Aloud Conference on June 21-22, 2001, at the Hawaii Convention Center. Topics of interest will focus on reading research, practical techniques on reading aloud, how to incorporate read aloud into the curriculum, how to select read aloud books, and successful read aloud programs. For more information and for an application, please call the Read To Me International Foundation at 955-7600 or the HFLC office at 692-8210.



## About Our Organization...

The Hawaii Family Literacy Consortium was established in May, 1999, by the State Superintendent of Education, to begin work on an Even Start Statewide Family Literacy Initiative to unify, strengthen and expand family literacy services in Hawaii. The task of this consortium is to develop indicators of program quality, to establish a system of support and resources for family literacy, and to build local capacity for the expansion of family literacy throughout the state. The consortium is composed of representatives of federal and state agencies, parents, educators, and private and non-profit organizations.

