



The Literacy Alliance

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## The Literacy Alliance Receives National Accreditation

On December 20, The Literacy Alliance was awarded accredited status by ProLiteracy America, the US Programs Division of ProLiteracy Worldwide. The Literacy Alliance has served Allen County for 18 years helping adults improve their reading, mathematics, listening, writing, speaking, and technology skills.

"We are very pleased to gain the accreditation," says Executive Director Judith Stabelli. "Literacy Alliance staff members work everyday to maintain the highest standards for our clients."

Peter Waite, Executive Director of ProLiteracy America, states, "We are proud to add The Literacy Alliance to our growing list of accredited organizations. They have demonstrated that their program meets the highest national standards for volunteer literacy programs and that their services to the community are effective. We applaud the many volunteers, staff, and students who have devoted their time and effort to achieve this goal."

ProLiteracy America's Accreditation provides literacy programs with a comprehensive process for: 1) conducting an organizational self-assessment; 2) developing program improvement plans; and 3) demonstrating that their organization meets the highest standards for governance, program management, program operations, and volunteer development.

The Literacy Alliance is a nonprofit educational program dedicated to helping adults of all ages improve their lives and their communities by learning reading, writing, math and problem-solving skills. Learning centers, literacy programs, and tutoring services empower individuals to succeed at work, at home, and in the community.

ProLiteracy Worldwide is a nonprofit educational organization that supports local literacy programs through a national network of approximately 130,000 volunteers and 1,200 local, state, and regional literacy providers in the United States. ProLiteracy's purpose is to sponsor educational programs and services whose purpose is to empower adults and their families by assisting them to acquire the literacy practices and skills they need to function more effectively in their daily lives and participate in the transformation of their societies. ProLiteracy Worldwide was formed by the recent merger of Laubach Literacy International and Literacy Volunteers of America, Inc.

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