



# CHILDREN'S SERVICES RESOURCES

WHRO broadcasts research-based, award-winning PBS children's programming to every home in Hampton Roads. Using Ready to Learn grants from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and local foundation support, WHRO aims to expand children's learning through the use of interactive digital media to provide children and their families with a strong foundation for lifelong learning.

## PBS KIDS Writers Contest:

Each year WHRO invites K-5th grade students to create, illustrate, and enter their stories in the PBS KIDS Writers Contest. Writing activities address the 2017 English SOL K.11, 1.11, 1.12, 2.10, 2.11, 3.8, 3.9, 4.7, 4.8, 5.7, and 5.8.

## First Books Program:

Through WHRO Leadership circle and community support, tens of thousands of free books are distributed regularly to area children during after-school and community events as well as parent and professional development trainings.

**Reading and STEM Camps for Summer and After-School Programs**

## Super Why Reading Camp:

These camps are five-day interactive learning adventures that show 4-5 year olds the power of reading. Students have fun with letters, sounds, and words through a comprehensive curriculum developed by noted literacy experts.

## Odd Squad "Be the Agent Camp"

These camps are five-day interactive learning adventures that encourage 6-8 year olds to use their STEM skills to solve odd problems. The campers watch an Odd Squad program segment, create and build a gadget to solve a case, and then enjoy digital learning with the PBS Kids Odd Squad App.

## PBS Kids Scratch Jr Code-to-Learn Camp

These camps consist of a five-day sequence of activities that introduce children to basic coding and give them the opportunity to explore the features of the PBS KIDS Scratch Jr app. Campers create their own stories, games and collages.

Additional Resources

## Parent/Family Engagement

"Anytime is Learning Time" training helps parents identify everyday teachable moments.

WHRO family engagement activities allow families to have fun and learn together.

## Early Learning and Development Trainings

WHRO Education staff conduct a variety of child development trainings for early childhood educators.

For additional information on programs and resources available please contact Martha Razor

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## STEM Van Programs

The STEM van visits local kindergarten through second grade classrooms to bring fun and exciting activities that will challenge students to use their science, technology, engineering, and math skills.

Programs cover:

### Kindergarten - Five senses with PBS Kids

Students will investigate using their five senses covering 2018 Science Standards of Learning (SOL) K.5

### First grade - Code-to-Learn

Students will explore the PBS KIDS ScratchJr coding app to create their own stories covering 2017 Computer Science SOL 1.1a, b and 1.2a, b

### Second grade - Odd Squad Day

Students will become special agents for a day and will identify symmetrical objects covering 2018 Math SOL 2.12a, b



## Literacy Van Programs

WHRO's Literacy Van is a cheerful, brightly colored vehicle that visits Pre-K-1st grade students with programs designed to motivate children to read daily.

Programs cover:

**Pre-K** - 2020 Virginia Early Learning Development Standards – Communication Language and Literacy Development (CLLD 1.1; 1.2; 2.2; and 2.3)

**Kindergarten** - 2017 English SOL: K.1, K.4, K.5, K.8 and K.9

**First Grade** - 2017 English SOL: 1.1, 1.2, 1.4 and 1.9

**Second Grade** - 2017 English SOL: 2.1 and 2.2



## Batten Environmental Van Program

The Batten Environmental Van program provides classroom teachers with pre and post visit lesson plans and interactive learning objects related to the GreenBeatsSM video series. WHRO and the Virginia Stage Company have also partnered to offer an optional environmental musical assembly.

Programs cover:

### Kindergarten - Recycling

2018 Science SOL K.1c, K.11a, b, c

### First Grade - Natural Resources

2018 Science SOL 1.8a, b, c

### Second Grade - Plants

2018 Science SOL 2.8b, c

