

# EASTERN PANHANDLE READING PROGRAM





### **Mission:**

E.P.R.P. encourages life-long literacy and increase reading proficiency by providing books and supplies to children in Berkeley, Jefferson, and Morgan Counties in West Virginia.

### **Vision:**

Gift every 2nd-grader in Berkeley, Jefferson, and Morgan Counties public schools a set of books, of their choosing, that belong to them.

# EPRP HISTORY

In 2013 two Rotarians identified a need, fostered an idea and created a movement.

## Read Berkeley

**2014**

• 65

**2015**

• 112

**2016**

• 107

**2017**

• 124

**2018**

• 186

**2019**

• 650

## E.P.R.P.

**2020**

- 10 BOOKS
- 28 SCHOOLS
- 1,748 STUDENTS
- BOOKS \$51,000
- \$60,000 (\$35/CHILD)

**2021**

- 10 BOOKS
- 28 SCHOOLS
- 1,958 STUDENTS
- BOOKS \$54,900
- \$59,000 (\$31/CHILD)

**2022**

- 10 BOOKS
- 29 SCHOOLS
- 1,946 STUDENTS
- BOOKS \$54,400
- \$58,000 (30/CHILD)

**2023**

- 10 BOOKS
- 29 SCHOOLS
- 2,128 STUDENTS
- BOOKS \$65,400
- \$73,000 (\$35/CHILD)

**2024**

- 9 BOOKS
- 30 SCHOOLS
- 2,166 STUDENTS
- BOOKS \$65,000
- \$75,000 (\$35/CHILD)

### ADDITIONAL COSTS INCLUDE BUT NOT LIMITED TO

- Book Bags
- Printed Order Forms
- Online Survey System
- Printed Catalogs
- Name Tags
- Printed Materials
- Printed Rack Cards
- Tag Hangers
- Storage

## **MSR Events**

Bonanza  
President's Day Dance\*

## **Grants**

P&G\*  
EWVCF  
Martinsburg Rotary\*  
RI District 7360  
Nora Roberts  
WISH  
Eco Lab  
City of Ranson

\*Added in 2024  
Not all are currently funded

## **EP Rotary clubs**

Charles Town\*  
Shepherdstown\*  
Berkeley Springs\*

\*Added in 2024

## **Vendor Partnerships**

Scholastic  
M3T

## **Private Donations**

Individual  
Organizational



**Where does the funding come from?**

# **EPRP FUNDING**

**ALL HANDS-ON DECK!**

**Over 100  
Rotarians**

**Over 100  
School Staff  
Members**

**3 County  
Admins**

**Parents and  
PTA's**

## **EP Rotary clubs**

Shepherdstown  
Berkeley Springs  
Charles Town  
Martinsburg

## **County Public Schools**

School Principals  
2nd Grade Teachers  
Guidance Counselors  
School Librarians / Media  
County Administrators

## **Community**

School Parents  
Community Volunteers

**This couldn't happen without you!**

# **EPRP MANPOWER**



# EPRP FOUNDATION

## What goes into building this program?

(Amanda, Arlene, Jackie, Kim, Trina & Taweh)

### All Year long

- Seek out new funding, vendor and partner resources
- Grant Writing
- Keep all donors, partners and vendors up to date

### November - February

- Work with Scholastic to update book index for ordering (changes every year)
- Connect with school districts, schools and school leads on what to expect (update contact info) \*maintain all records and budget details
- Request and compile all updated information on schools and student totals
- Build out online survey platform for each school, then online catalogs, resources, order forms and online review links for easy reconciliation by school leads
- Design all printed materials like the book catalogs, rack cards, bookmarks and book bag decals, labels

### March - May

- Constantly communicate with school leads, district admin, schools and volunteers
- Order needed supplies, bookbags, labels, rack cards etc.
- Pull reporting for each school multiple times a week during the ordering window. (Every 3 days)
- Reconcile all individual school orders to ensure they are all correct and no duplications
- Compile all book totals for each school, complete order form for each school and submit all orders to Scholastic (orders are submitted by school)
- Navigate pick up and delivery of all books and book supplies
- Confirm delivery and distribution

### June - October

- Bonanza planning and execution



# EPRP IMPACT

## FROM THE BEGINING

**BERKELEY - 24% in 2013**

32% of all elementary students tested at or above the proficient level for reading in 2023

**JEFFERSON - 30% in 2019**

38% of elementary students tested at or above the proficient level for reading in 2023

**MORGAN - 32% in 2019**

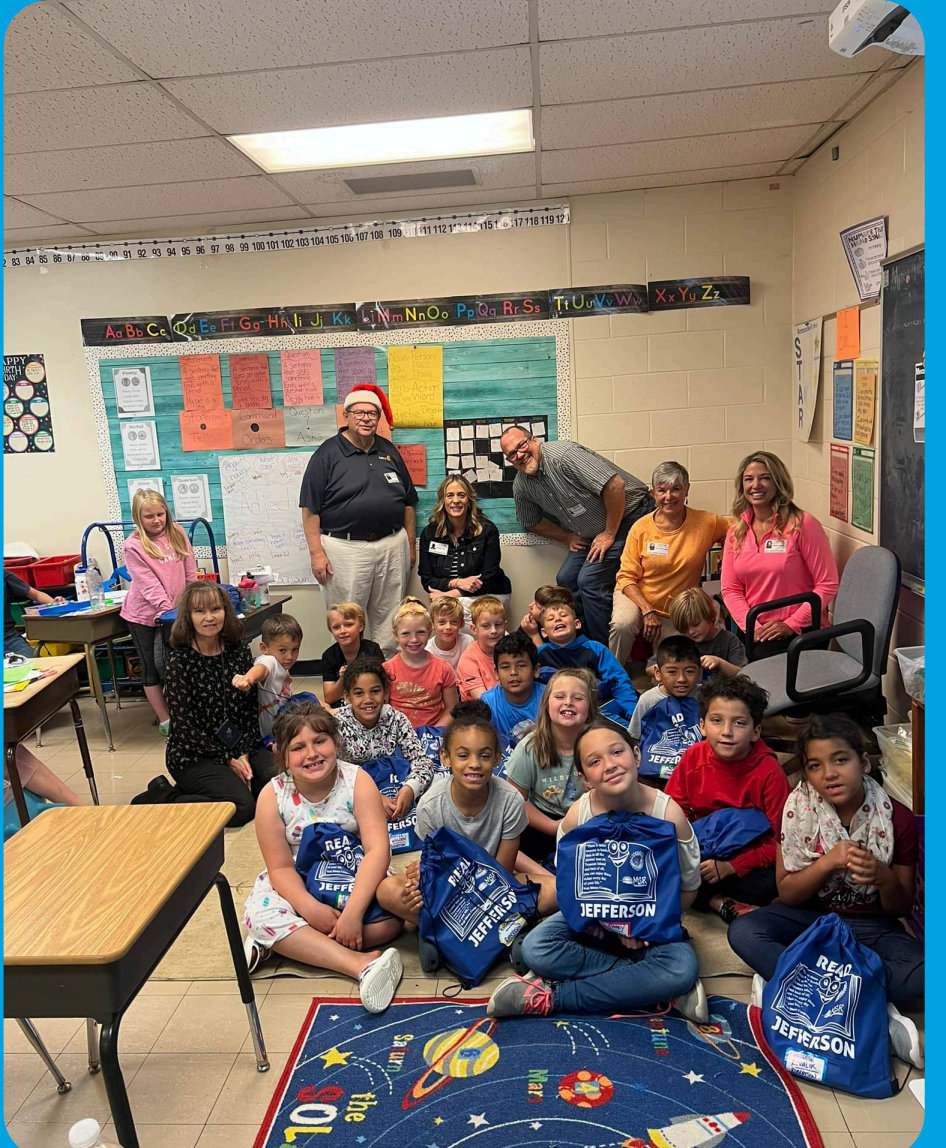
33% of elementary students tested at or above the proficient level for reading in 2023



**2023**

This is Caroline Catillo, she was in the first class to received books back in 2013. Today, Carolina is a senior at Martinsburg High School and will be attending Shepherd University in the fall for nursing. She said this reading program made her like to read, if it wasn't for this program, she's not sure if she would have done so well in school and pursed college.

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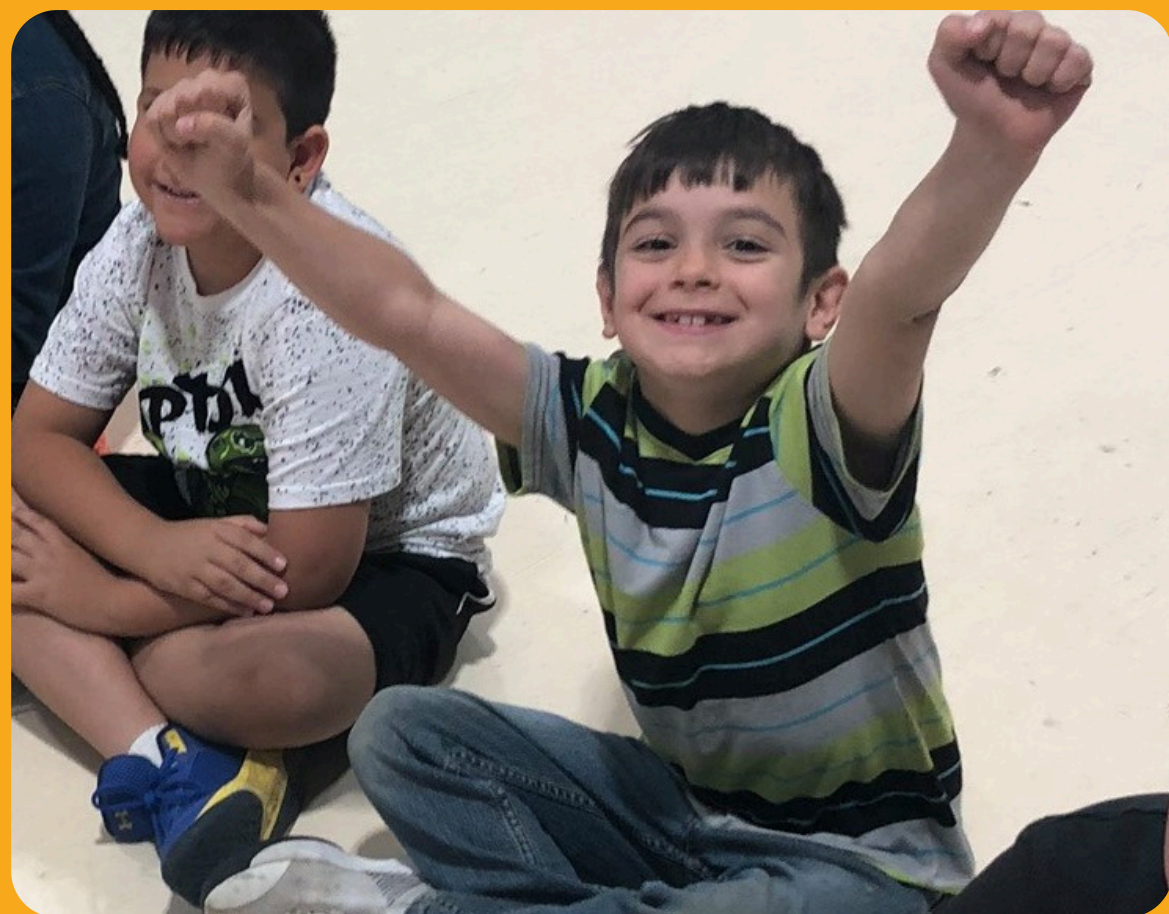



Dear Rotary club,  
 Thank you for bring  
 the books for us you  
 are amazing keep up  
 the good work gusy!

Love  
 Story



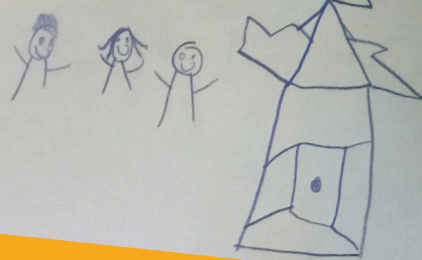
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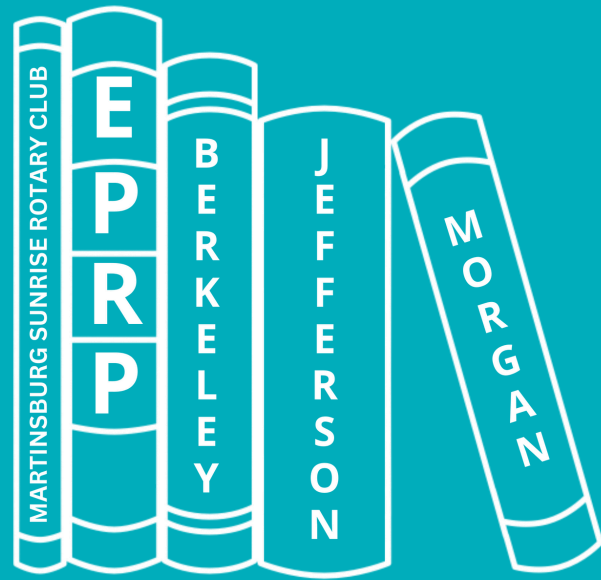


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I am so thank full  
 for the books thank  
 you for being so  
 nice from karyn my  
 Har isso meser







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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**