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# R.E.A.D. PLUS PROGRAM (READING EARLY ACCELERATES DEVELOPMENT)

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## OUR VISION

Families in the R.E.A.D. Plus Program will have the opportunity to also receive support to help track their child's development.

- The R.E.A.D. Plus program is available to all families regardless of communication choice.
- Participating families are encouraged to invite extended family members, caregivers and or early intervention providers to attend the R.E.A.D. Plus sessions. This helps build community for your child.
- Families have the opportunity to have a deaf adult role model or a trained Guide By You Side Guide join the R.E.A.D. Plus sessions.

"The R.E.A.D. Plus Program has been a valuable and vital resource that has had a great impact on expanding our daughter's communication and exposing her to as much language as possible.

This program is an inspiration and great learning tool for not only us, but our family, friends and service providers. This program has ultimately taught us that we don't have to be perfect parents when it comes to delivering sign language and speech to our child but giving full access to all communication"

#### DAVID AND DONELLA HOLLAND

Parents

## WHY ENROLL

Families are empowered with strategies to support their child's speech and language development.

Support is provided to help families understand their child's hearing loss and the potential impact it may have on their child.

Families will learn developmentally appropriate "book sharing" strategies and are are offered the option to learn to use sign language while receiving support to explore speech and language targets within books.

### THE R.E.A.D. PLUS PROGRAM

is a unique opportunity provided at no cost to Wyoming families who have children with hearing loss ages birth to kindergarten.

You will be loaned high quality children's books through the mail from the Wyoming Department of Education (WDE) Outreach Library.

This program is provided by Wyoming Families for Hands & Voices in collaboration with the Wyoming Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Program (EHDI) and WDE Outreach for the Deaf/Hard of Hearing.



Sessions are provided via technology 1–2 times per month at the family's convenience.