



Student Spotlight: Zoey

What does it take to go from nervous to ready? For Zoey, it started with one decision. Read how she earned her HSE and found her path to a future in baking.

Read Zoey's full story on [The Literacy Alliance blog](#).

Volunteer Spotlight: Doug

A TLA volunteer discovers that you don't have to be a teacher to change a child's relationship with reading.

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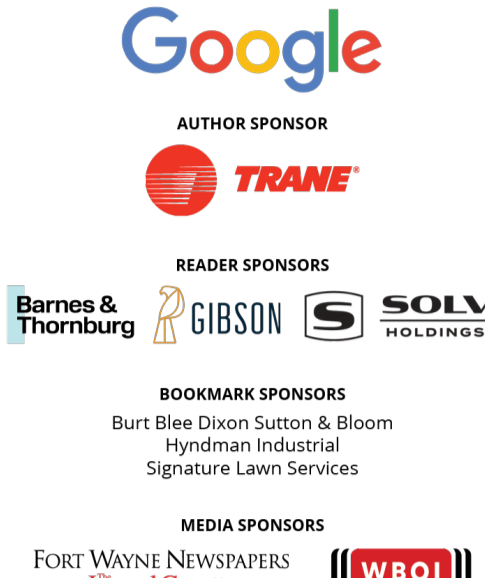


We are still glowing from the energy of this year's A Night at the Library. *Thank you to everyone who helped make it happen!*

If the evening inspired you and you did not get a chance to give, it is not too late. You can still make a gift in support of two organizations doing meaningful work in our community: [Make a Gift](#)

Every dollar raised goes directly toward vital education initiatives at The Literacy Alliance and library programs through Friends of the Library, helping us foster learning and a love of reading right here at home.

Thank you for believing in the power of literacy to change lives.



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TLA is Now Allen County's Exclusive Public GED® Testing Site!

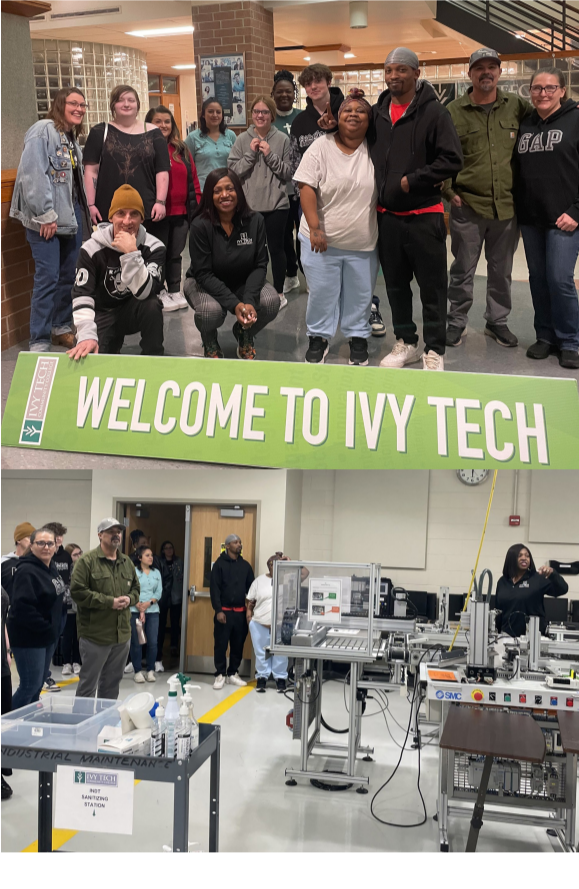


We have an exciting update to share with our community! The Literacy Alliance (TLA) is proud to announce our designation as the exclusive public testing site for the GED® in Allen County. As an official testing center, we are thrilled to expand our mission by offering this vital service to the public.

"We know the testing process can feel overwhelming, but no one has to navigate it alone," says TLA Chief Executive Officer Melinda Haines. We are here to provide a supportive, welcoming environment to ensure you feel confident on testing day.

While our testing center serves the broader community, exams remain completely free of charge for students currently enrolled in TLA's educational programs.

Take the next step today! If you have questions about the testing process or want to learn about our free preparation programs, please call us at (260) 426-7323 or visit [literacyalliance.org](#). We look forward to helping you reach your goals!



Ivy Tech Tour Sparks Inspiration

Earlier this year, TLA students got a firsthand look at their potential next steps during an exciting campus tour of Ivy Tech Community College. These visits are a staple of our programming, with two to three tours hosted every year to ensure all students have the opportunity to explore local post-secondary options.

A major highlight was the remarkable Anatomage Table, an advanced 3D digital tool that lets users explore the human body down to 0.5 millimeters—even featuring a realistic beating heart. Beyond the digital realm, the group explored hands-on medical training labs for surgical technology, CNA, and phlebotomy, as well as state-of-the-art construction, automotive, electrical, and welding facilities.

Guided by the enthusiastic Tracy Davis, vice chancellor of community engagement, the visit wrapped up with pizza and an engaging Q&A session about college programs and career paths. For many participants, this experience transformed higher education from a distant idea into a tangible, achievable goal.

Students left energized and ready to take the next steps in their adult education journeys, and we are already looking forward to our next Ivy Tech tour this fall! Students interested in learning more about transition opportunities or upcoming tours should contact [Juliana Bengs](#) for more information.

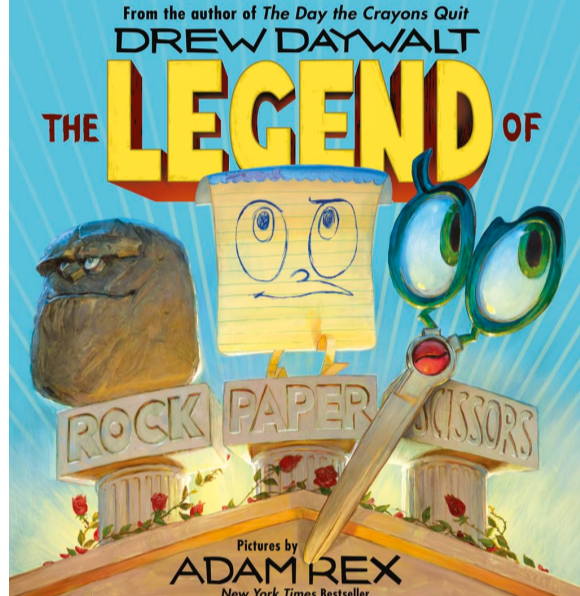
Project Reads Book of the Month

The Legend of Rock Paper Scissors
By Drew Daywalt and Adam Rex

Ages 5–8 (Preschool–3rd Grade) | 48 Pages

Long ago, in the Kingdom of Backyard, Rock was the strongest warrior in the land, but he was bored. In the Empire of Mom's Home Office and the Kitchen Realm, Paper and Scissors faced the same problem. When these three titans finally meet, they engage in a hilarious, high-stakes battle that explains once and for all why Rock beats Scissors, Scissors beats Paper, and Paper beats Rock.

Pick up a copy this month and discover the kind of story that truly makes children love to read!



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Partner with The Literacy Alliance to Support Your Clients!

Are you a local agency with clients who could benefit from free programs such as high school equivalency preparation or English language learning? We would be happy to schedule a facility tour or staff presentation to share more about how we can support your community.

Outreach coordinator Mike Jackson is also available to speak to your church, civic group, club, or community organization about the programs and services we offer. If your group hosts an annual festival, fair, or community event, we would love to be part of it!

Connecting with the community in spaces like these is something Mike truly enjoys, so do not hesitate to reach out.

To refer clients, schedule a visit, or invite outreach coordinator Mike Jackson to your next event, please contact him at:

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Together, we can empower individuals through literacy and education. Let's make a difference—one referral at a time!



Community Resources

The Literacy Alliance's **Community Resources** section connects you to job opportunities, financial aid, continuing education, housing assistance, legal support, healthcare, and more, all in one place.

We update it regularly, so if you haven't checked it out yet (or it's been a while), now's the time! Click the button to explore resources that can make a difference today.

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