

# Community Partners

## Becoming Literacy Ambassadors



Come to a free training just for New Bedford Reads, designed to help members of our community learn powerful ways to support early literacy development.

### WORKSHOP INFORMATION

#### Become a Literacy Ambassador

Receive training to become a Community Literacy Ambassador, armed with research and strategies to help support literacy in New Bedford.

Community Literacy Ambassadors will explore how to foster children's reading and writing themselves, as well as how to engage our city's families in their children's literacy.

A lively format with interactive activities will ensure that participants leave with new information, motivation, and connections for ongoing support.

**Date:** August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Time:** 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

**Location:** The Waypoint Event Center, in the Sealoft Room

185 MacArthur Drive, New Bedford

*Lunch will be provided!*

### Meet Nell K. Duke

Nell K. Duke is a professor in literacy, language, and culture and in the combined program in education and psychology at the University of Michigan.

Duke's award-winning research focuses on early literacy development, particularly among children living in poverty. Duke has been named in EdWeek as among the 50 most influential scholars in education. Among her current roles is serving as an expert for the NBC News Parent Toolkit and as an advisor on children's television and other media for the Public Broadcasting Service/Corporation for Public Broadcasting's Ready to Learn program. Duke is author and co-author of numerous journal articles, book chapters, and books.

Among others, she is co-author of the book *Beyond Bedtime Stories: A Parent's Guide to Promoting Reading, Writing, and Other Literacy Skills From Birth to 5*, second edition and of the program *Engaging Families in Children's Literacy Development: A Complete Workshop Series* and *Connect4Learning: a Pre-K Curriculum*.

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