READY TO READ MICHIGAN

PROGRAM REPORT 2019

Touch the Brightest Star
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649 public libraries in Michigan received:

- 5 copies of *Touch the Brightest Star*
- 5 posters for outreach and library use
- Bookmarks with early literacy tips
- Online Storytime Programming Guide with actiivities, read-a-likes, printables, and webinar training

33%
of Michigan libraries responded to the survey

87%
said the program improved their service to their communities

15,000+
children attended Ready to Read Michigan events at reporting libraries

"I had **a group of first graders that really hammed it up** when I asked them to close their eyes. One little boy pretended to be asleep and was snoring loudly. He made all the other kids laugh and laugh."

"The children loved how interactive the story is! **The fact that their actions make things happen in the story, caused a lot of smiles and laughter.**"

"I think the programming guide and webinar were really great this year! I had some ideas of my own, and **I was able to use several ideas from the guide and webinar to enhance my programs!**"

"I read to our preschoolers and to several of our daycares in the area. The kids now recognize me when I am out and we have had several that have started using the library. We have also been **asked to make the outreach to the daycares be a regular part of our programming**."

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