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**K-16 University Partnerships Meeting: Early Literacy with READ! By 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016 2:00 to 3:30 pm  
Hosted by the School District of Philadelphia

Summary Notes from Group Share out:

- Common Challenges and Opportunities:
  - o English as a second language
  - o Parent Engagement
  - o Training – Are those engaging in early literacy using evidence-based practices?
  - o Sharing Curriculum and Resources
  - o Lots of organizations engaging in this work- encourage collaboration to address gaps/overlaps
  - o Opportunities to engage new volunteers – college students / pre-service teachers / AmeriCorps VISTAS
- What would you like to see moving forward:
  - o More engagement of volunteers in specific roles – help training in specific areas
  - o Sharing of best practices both in early literacy and in engaging parents
  - o Improving methods to get resources to teachers in the classroom
- Resources:
  - o READ! By 4<sup>th</sup> – to connect as a partner see Abby Thaker ([ThakerA@freelibrary.org](mailto:ThakerA@freelibrary.org)) and to connect with curriculum resources see Nancy Scharff
  - o Share My Lesson <http://www.sharemylesson.com/home.aspx>
  - o Tell it My Way <https://tellitmyway.org/>
  - o VISTA working with READ! By 4<sup>th</sup> at the Free Library – David Loeb READ! By 4<sup>th</sup> Project Coordinator ([loebd@freelibrary.org](mailto:loebd@freelibrary.org))