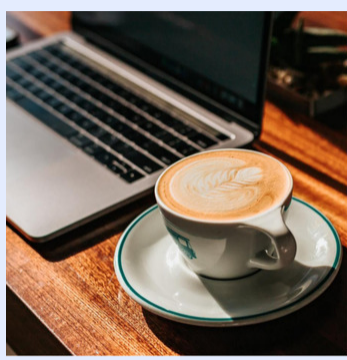




# Nashville Adult Literacy Council

## In Our Words Newsletter



### Literacy Matters Virtual Breakfast

Join us for our Literacy Matters Virtual Breakfast as we honor the work of learners, tutors, and staff on **Thursday, May 25, at 7:30 a.m.** The event will be broadcast online so you don't have to leave home!

Attendance for this virtual event is free, but donations of any amount are appreciated. Thanks to one of our generous sponsors, Amazon, up to \$15,000 of individual donations made before and during the event will be matched! **Please encourage family and friends to register for this live, virtual event!**

[Register Now](#)

### NALC Announcements

Find news from staff and other updates here!



### Celebrating Friendship

Volunteers and learners often become great friends at NALC! Ippei and Ed have been working together for about a year. Ippei is headed back to Japan and they had a farewell dinner together recently with Ippei's family. Ed's family prepared a traditional American grill menu of chicken, hot dogs, corn on the cob and Ippei's family brought traditional Japanese desserts.

Tutoring pairs at NALC not only work together to improve someone's English, they also learn about different cultures and create strong bonds with their new friends.

## Student Writing

### My Positive School Experience, Maria Madrazo, English Language Learner

My positive school experience was talking with others in English class, I understand the school meetings for my son better. I felt happy when talking with partners or classmates. I felt nervous and sometime forgot the words, I felt fearful at the beginning of English class but my teachers helped me a lot in class. I understood the better when my teacher said, "Rea this sentence again." Today, I understand better than a few months ago.

### Soo Kim, English Language Learner

My name is Soo Kim.  
I am interested in volunteering at children's Center.  
I have two children, two nephews and four nieces. I love children and they love me. I took care my nephews and nieces. They love me and I love them. They always contact me and I listen to them well.

*You can get to know Soo even better during the Literacy Matters Virtual Breakfast because she will be sharing her experience during the event!*



## Community Partner

**June 12 - July 21**

**Grades K - 8**

**8AM - 3PM Daily**

### Nashville Freedom School Summer Program

The Nashville Freedom School uses literacy to instill cultural pride, self-assurance, and active citizenship. This summer they will host children in grades K-8 at Gordon Memorial UMC on Herman Street in North Nashville and at Seay-Hubbard UMC on South First Avenue in South Nashville for **FREE** summer camps. Camps focus on building a love of reading. Breakfast, lunch, snacks, and books provided!

### Learn more and enroll your child here.

The Nashville Freedom School also has paid teaching internship opportunities which include training and additional professional development. For college sophomores or older. **Find out more here!**

### Submit Your Work

Do you have something to share? Please let your teacher or a NALC worker know OR submit work using the button below. You can also email your work to [mharding@nashvilleliteracy.org](mailto:mharding@nashvilleliteracy.org). We are here to help!

[Learn More & Submit Work](#)

### Community Conversations

**Do you want to give a presentation on Zoom to our NALC community?** This is a great opportunity to talk about your country, practice your public speaking, and practice your English! Please fill out this form and we will contact you for more information.

[I want to present!](#)

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