

American Samoa Department of Education K-3 Early Literacy Initiative Newsletter



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Quote "Literacy should be engaging for children, not a chore"

Professional Development

McGraw Hill- Language for Learning Trainer: A huge fa'afetai to Joyce Nayer who graced us with her onsite visit to continue support for the initiative. She conducted virtual workshops since the onset of the initiative in 2021 and continued for mentors, ELA & OASIS during 2022. A great opportunity to have a veteran program trainer build local capacity, conduct Side-By-Side Coaching, and have discussions with Principals on key areas to focus on to support staff and move the students forward. ELA & OASIS trainers plus mentors witnessed what to look for in short snapshot observations and how to support teachers on the delivery of the program. A win-win for all!! Schedule of support:

*March 14--SBS @Pavaiai-15 classrooms/ 8a-12n

*March 15-SBS@Matafao-8 classrooms/8a-11a and -Training of Trainers @DOE/1230n-630p

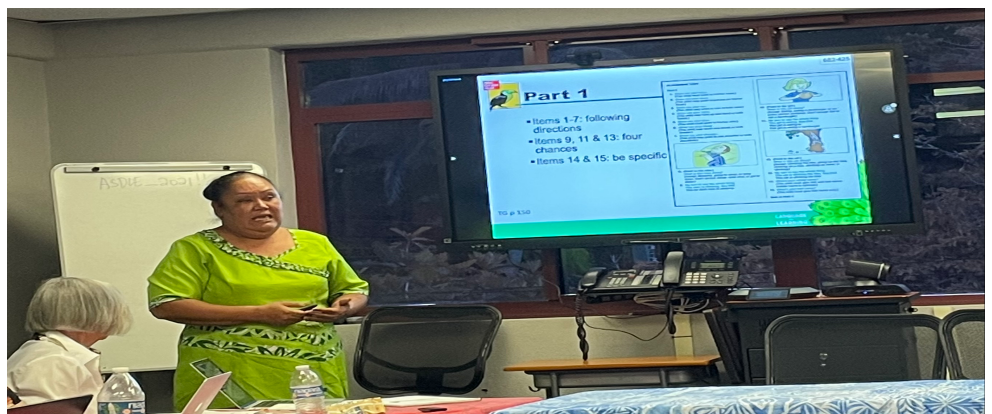
*March 16-SBS@Tafuna-9 classrooms/8a-11a



Trainer Joyce Nayer modeling Language for Learning instruction for 1st grade teacher Maryangie Iosua@ Matafao



More modeling on effective instruction delivery.



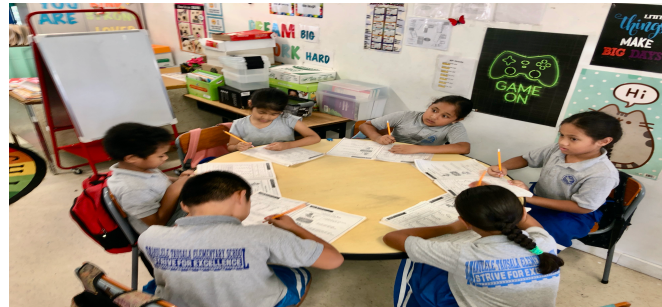
ELA, OASIS and Mentor teachers undergo 6hours of intense training to become certified Language for Learning trainers....building local capacity!!!!

Quote

"Reading is the first step in education. Only if the child can read will they excel in all other subjects" *Preschool Teacher*

Early Literacy Skills: ENGAGEMENT & LEARNING

K5 RW small group writing skills-hat line, belt line and shoe line is how you get it done!!! Malo Sesilia @ MTausala!!!



Tuna's 2nd graders working on RW fluency foundation worksheets @ MTausala



Matatula K5 teacher Fa'asi'usi'u knows how to keep her kiddos focused during Language for Learning workbook review! Notice how they are all looking or responding to her.



MTausala kinders working w/teacher Faaleiloa during Language for Learning workbook time! Identifying the correct colors to complete the exercises.



Our budding writers at Matatula practicing letter writing skills using RW worksheets

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