

WHAT NOW? ACT.

State & Local Elected Officials

Relevant facts:

- On both State and National assessments, roughly 65% of Georgia's children cannot read proficiently.
- Researchers estimate that 95% of all children can be taught to read.
- Our business and economy cannot withstand low literacy rates. Bringing high tech industries here demands a highly literate workforce.

What you can do:

- Fund legislation that aims to improve literacy outcomes. In the 2023 session, two bills, SB211 and HB538 consider different ways to approach the problem with a universal goal of using evidence-based practices in schools to improve literacy outcomes.
- Keep apprised of efforts in your district's schools to improve reading outcomes for ALL students.

Learn more:

- [Governor's Office of Student Achievement](#) & National Report Card
- Excel in Ed's 2022 National Summit on Education with Emily Hanford
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j2YRG4SFm4E>
- What is the Science of Reading
- <https://www.thereadingleague.org/what-is-the-science-of-reading/>

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