

#### An amazing author visit for kids!



#### **ROL Facts**

Since 2010

For grades 2-4

Free books, free busing

23,863 students reached!!



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Reading level at third grade predicts high school graduation rate.

"[M]ore than one in four poor, struggling readers did not graduate, compared with only 2 percent of good readers from wealthier backgrounds. Mr. Hernandez found that gaps in graduation rates among white, black and Hispanic students closed once poverty and reading proficiency were taken into account."

The Annie E. Casey Foundation. (2012). *Double Jeopardy*. Baltimore, MD: Donald J. Hernandez. Retrieved from http://www.aecf.org/resources/double-jeopardy/

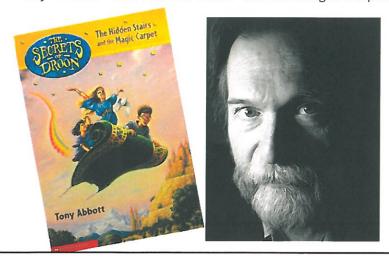
We want to get second graders excited about reading!



# Past authors



Tony Abbott - The Hidden Stairs and the Magic Carpet



The Numbers:

81 classrooms in 22 schools = 1,905 students reading!

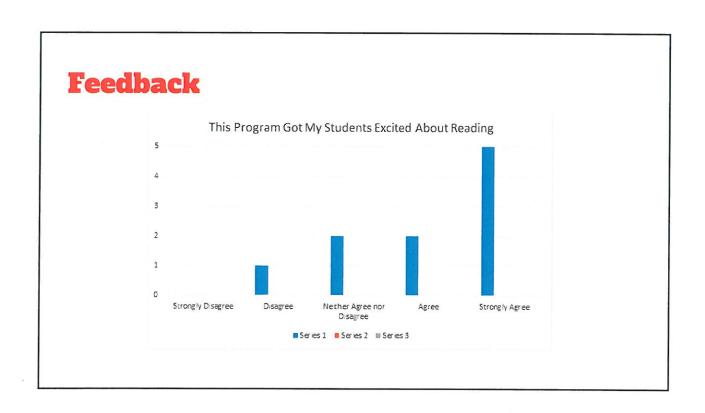
6 presentations over 2 days = 1,569 students attending!

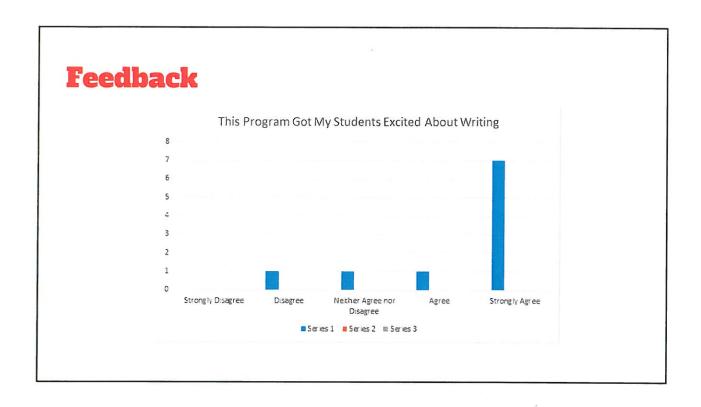
Buell Children's Museum traveling presentation = 125

Tony Abbott Reading Challenge = 30

Book Circulation = 155

Total Participation = 3,784!!





#### What did you and/or your students like most about this program?

Interactions with crowd, slideshow, and that every student received an autographed bookmark.

That he asked them for answers even though they were 1st graders in a room full of older students and they LOVED the slide show. They left feeling like a million bucks! So thank you!!

Hearing from an author and what it takes.

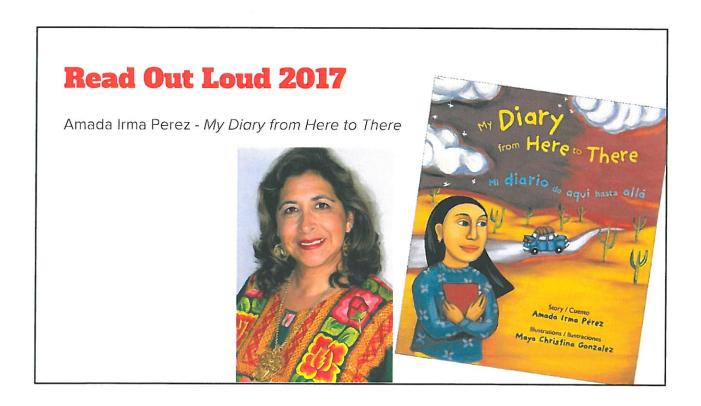
I liked the way he let students know that writing takes time and many revisions. Students seem to think their writing is good the first or second time.

The author's explanation of the writing process and what it takes to get to a finished book.

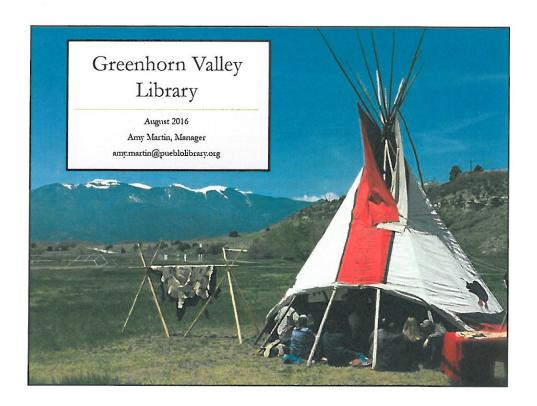
Meeting a real author!

Mr. Abbott's stories about his life.

They Loved the book and the author!!!



# Questions?



#### 2016 Branch Objectives

- 1. Drive key results and build young readers by creating more interactive and engaging spaces and programs for children and teens.
- Improve outreach efforts to increase partnerships with community organizations & schools, achieve higher level of involvement with high school students, and sectors of the community not currently using the library.
- 3. Expand the library's role as a center for lifelong learning, innovation and community connections.

#### Projects

#### Makerspace

- ✓ Tinkerlab
- ✓ Colorado State Library Grant
- ✓ FOL grant for kits
- ✓ CSU-Extension 4H Program
- ✓ Adult Maker Studio



#### Projects

#### Early Literacy Program

- ✓ FOL grant
- √ Changes to storytimes
- ✓ HIPPY Program

#### Teen area development

✓ Collection shift & redecorating



#### Partnerships

- Increased outreach to community organizations & monthly meeting visits
- Increased meeting room usage small meeting rooms & fireplace area are now reservable
- Collecting new content from community for History Wall digital exhibit, fireplace display and art panels

#### Partnerships

- ✓ Trivia Night (Rye Women's Club)
- ✓ Greenhorn Valley Farmer's Market
- ✓ 1st Annual Fun Day @Lake Beckwith
- ✓ Song of Pueblo (Valley Backpacks)







#### Partnerships

#### **School District 70**

Onsite storytimes, database instruction, classroom program promotion, support for suicide prevention group

#### **Beulah Satellite**

Classroom support, Friday youth programming, adult book club, adult book & media collection

#### Programs

#### Family/Youth

- ✓ Day of the Dead
- ✓ Dr. Seuss Party
- ✓ Evening at Hogwarts
- ✓ May the Fourth be With You
- √ Tipi Talk
- ✓ Summer Campout
- ✓ Summer Classroom Challenge



#### Programs

#### Tween & Teen

- ✓ Minecraft & Laser Tag
- √ Gaming, tech & movies
- ✓ Star Wars Party
- ✓ Hunter Safety Classes
- ✓ Babysitter Certification



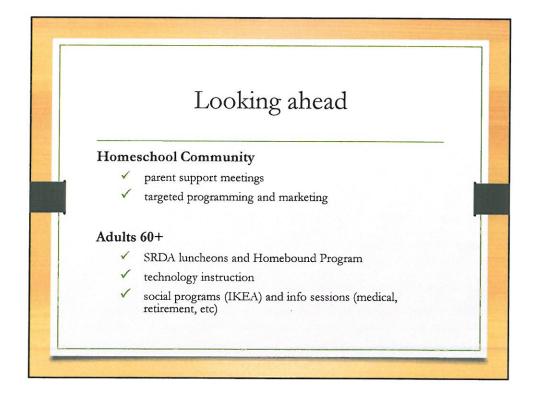
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#### Adult

- ✓ Survival Plants Guided Hike
- ✓ Painting Party
- ✓ Wool & Wine Felting Classes
- √ Yoga & Tai Chi
- ✓ Fly Tying
- ✓ All Pueblo Grows & Gardening



# Looking ahead High School Students ✓ Work with Student Council & National Honor Society ambassadors ✓ College Prep Series: databases for ACT/SAT prep, the application process & scholarships, recruiter visits ✓ Evening study lab



#### Looking ahead

#### **Outdoor Learning Commons**

Mission: Create an engaging outdoor space that brings our community together in new ways, and encourages development of new ideas, skills and literacies through nature—based sensory activities and programs.

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- Community Garden (Vegetables, pollinator flowers, 'three sisters' companion garden, Junior Master Gardeners plot, story time bed, herbs)
- Patio (small tables for outdoor programs or leisure reading, stone fire ring with seating for fireside lectures, music and storytelling, and flexible space for open-air film screenings)
- Nature-inspired play areas (storytelling corner; creation station with slate tablets for water painting, blocks, logs and woodcuttings for building; creature feature with animal tracks for identification, insect exhibit, etc.)

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