



Maple Ridge - Pitt Meadows - Katzie  
**Community  
Literacy Committee**

# **LINK UP**

## **DIRECTORY OF LITERACY PROGRAMS AND SERVICES**

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# About The Link Up Directory

This directory will help agencies, organizations, individuals or families find literacy programs, information and support in the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows/Katzie area.

Reasonable efforts have been made to ensure the information in this directory is accurate. Anyone using this directory should contact the listing organization for current details, times and locations.

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## OTHER RESOURCES

- BC211 ..... 211  
*24-hour, free, confidential, multilingual information and referral to community, social, and government services. Available twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week.*
- BC NurseLine ..... 811  
*24-hour, confidential, health information and advice. Call to speak to a registered nurse 24-hours or a pharmacist from 5 p.m. to 9 a.m. every day.*
- Maple Ridge Public Library ..... 604-467-7417  
130 - 22470 Dewdney Trunk Road, Maple Ridge
- Pitt Meadows Public Library ..... 604-465-4113  
200 - 12099 Harris Road, Pitt Meadows
- School District 42 ..... 604-463-4200  
<http://www.sd42.ca/>
- WorkBC Employment Services Centre – Maple Ridge ..... 604-466-4600  
170 – 22470 Dewdney Trunk Road, Maple Ridge  
<http://www.workbcmableridge.ca>

### Literacy Organizations

- Decoda Literacy Solutions ..... 604-681-4199  
<http://decoda.ca/>
- Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Katzie Community Literacy Committee ..... 604-721-3738  
<http://www.communityliteracy.ca>



**Program Name:** **Aboriginal HIPPY** **Cost:** \$ Fee for service

**Organization:** Aboriginal HIPPY Canada

**Description:** Aboriginal HIPPY has 6 Aboriginal Locations in Canada including Katzie First Nation. The Aboriginal HIPPY childhood development program addresses the needs of families to maximize the educational potential of their pre-school children.

Aboriginal HIPPY Canada is about helping parents learn how easy, fun and rewarding it is to be their children's first teacher at home.

**Location:** Serves Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows

**Suitable for:** Pre-school, Children, Teens, Family Literacy

**Skills Taught:** Aboriginal HIPPY Curriculum

### CONTACT

Tel: 604-676-8252

Email: [ipoint@hippycanada.ca](mailto:ipoint@hippycanada.ca)

Web: [www.hippycanada.ca](http://www.hippycanada.ca)

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**Program Name:** **Child Care Resource & Referral Program (CCRR)** **Cost:** \$ Fee for service

**Organization:** Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Community Services

**Description:** Assisting parents seeking child care and providing support services to child care providers. We offer services such as newsletters, training, toy/activity box lending library, community resource info, etc.

Contact Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Community Services for a full list of their programs [www.comservice.bc.ca](http://www.comservice.bc.ca)

**Location:** 20758 Lougheed Highway, Maple Ridge, V2X 8G8

**Suitable for:** Families with children newborn to age 12

**Skills Taught:**



Reading



Writing



Numeracy

### CONTACT

Tel: 604-467-2273

Email: [ccrrp@comservice.bc.ca](mailto:ccrrp@comservice.bc.ca)

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**Program Name:** **Family Literacy Book Activity Bags** **Cost:** Free

**Organization:** Family Education & Support Centre

**Description:** We have available a variety of book bags with activities included that can be enjoyed by parent and child together. There are 150 different book bags available for loan.

Please call 604 467 6055 Ext 105 to borrow these materials.

**Location:** 22554 Lougheed Hwy. Maple Ridge, B.C. V2X2V1

**Suitable for:** Pre-school, Family Literacy, ESL

**Skills Taught:**



Reading



Writing



Numeracy

Other (many themes to choose from)

### CONTACT

Tel: 604.467.6055 EXT 105

Email: [capc@familyed.bc.ca](mailto:capc@familyed.bc.ca)

Web: [www.familyed.bc.ca](http://www.familyed.bc.ca)

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**Program Name:** **Parent Child Mother Goose Program** **Cost:** Free

**Organization:** Westcoast Family Centres Society

**Description:** A group program for parents and their babies or young children which uses rhymes, songs and stories together. This gives children healthy early experiences with language and communication.

At the Maple Ridge Public Library (Fraser Room), usually Mondays, 1:00pm-2:30pm but please register to confirm dates and times with Westcoast Family Centres at [special.projects@westcoastfamily.org](mailto:special.projects@westcoastfamily.org).

**Location:** Ridge Meadows

**Suitable for:** Pre-school, Children, Other (babies and parents)

**Skills Taught:** Language and communication for babies and young children & parent/child interactions

### CONTACT

Email: [special.projects@westcoastfamily.org](mailto:special.projects@westcoastfamily.org)

Web: [www.westcoastfamily.org](http://www.westcoastfamily.org)

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**Program Name:** **School's Cool**

**Cost:** Free

**Organization:** Family Education and Support Centre

**Description:** School's Cool is a 72 hour kindergarten readiness program for children 3-5 years of age that is play and strengths based; the program is offered once a year, usually from April to June.

**Location:** Glenwood Elementary School

**Suitable for:** Children 3-5 years old

**Skills Taught:**



Reading



Writing



Numeracy

## CONTACT

Tel: 604-467-6055 Local 103

Email: [capc@familyed.bc.ca](mailto:capc@familyed.bc.ca)

Web: [www.familyed.bc.ca](http://www.familyed.bc.ca)



**Program Name:** **1:1 Adult Tutoring** **Cost:** Free

**Organization:** Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Katzie Community Literacy Committee

**Description:** Adult learners are matched up with volunteer tutors in a 1:1 or small group format. Learners and tutors work together to decide what lessons will be learned.

**Location:** Various

**Suitable for:** Adults, Seniors

**Skills Taught:** Other (mutually agreed topics)



Reading



Writing



Numeracy



Computer

### CONTACT

Tel: 604-721-3738

Email: [facilitator@communityliteracy.ca](mailto:facilitator@communityliteracy.ca)

Web: [www.communityliteracy.ca](http://www.communityliteracy.ca)

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**Program Name:** **Adult Graduation Program** **Cost:** Free

**Organization:** School District 42 Continuing Education

**Description:** High school graduation program for adults – Adult Dogwood. All courses are Ministry of Education certified courses and include Humanities, Sciences, Maths, and Business Education.

**Location:** Riverside Centre, 20575 Thorne Avenue, Maple Ridge, BC, V2X 9A6

**Suitable for:** Adults 19+

**Skills Taught:** Graduation curriculum

### CONTACT

Tel: 604-466-6555

Email: [bruce\\_grady@sd42.ca](mailto:bruce_grady@sd42.ca)

Web: <http://ce.sd42.ca/>





**Program Name:** **CEED Centre Community Computer Program** **Cost:** Free

**Organization:** CEED Centre Society

**Description:** The Community Computer Program at the CEED Centre offers free Internet access to the public. Equipment includes computers, B&W printer, scanner and Skype phone service.  
Monday-Wednesday 10:00 am to 4:30 pm.

**Location:** 11739 223 Street, Maple Ridge, BC, V2X 5X8

**Suitable for:** Teens, Adults, Seniors

**Skills Taught:** Other (internet access)

### CONTACT

Tel: 604-463-2229

Email: [info@ceedcentre.org](mailto:info@ceedcentre.org)

Web: [www.ceedcentre.org](http://www.ceedcentre.org)

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**Program Name:** **The Learning Room** **Cost:** Free

**Organization:** Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Katzie Community Literacy Committee

**Description:** Drop in resource centre offering reading and writing assistance, adult and children's lending library, help with some government publications and forms, referrals, computer use and information. Space is also available for learner-tutor meetings.

**Location:** At the CEED Centre, 11739 223<sup>rd</sup> Street, Maple Ridge  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon

**Suitable for:** all ages

**Skills Taught:** Contact us for current programs offered at The Learning Room.

### CONTACT

Tel: 604-721-3738

Email: [facilitator@communityliteracy.ca](mailto:facilitator@communityliteracy.ca)

Web: [www.communityliteracy.ca](http://www.communityliteracy.ca)



**Program Name:** **Literacy Foundations Program** **Cost:** Free

**Organization:** School District 42 Continuing Education

**Description:** Designed to help improve skills in English, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Information and Communications Technology in preparation for employment and/or further studies at the grade 10, 11 and 12 levels. With successful completion of level 7 you are prepared to enter coursework at the Grade 10 level. Foundations courses cover Levels 1 to 7.

**Location:** Riverside Centre, 20575 Thorne Avenue, Maple Ridge, BC, V2X 9A6

**Suitable for:** Teens, Adults, Seniors

**Skills Taught:** Conversational English



Reading



Writing



Numeracy



Computer

### CONTACT

Tel: 604-466-6555

Email: [bruce\\_grady@sd42.ca](mailto:bruce_grady@sd42.ca)

Web: <http://ce.sd42.ca/>

**Program Name:** **Singing English** **Cost:** Free

**Organization:** Family Education and Support Centre

**Description:** Singing English is an approach that has been taught to staff of agencies in Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows providing children's programming. It teaches English through music and actions and is particularly effective for children with speech challenges and children who have English as a second language. This is not a program; it is an approach to working with children in a play setting. Family Education and Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Community Services provides training for staff who then incorporate it into their programs.

**Location:** Maple Ridge, Pitt Meadows

**Suitable for:** Agency Staff providing children's programming for 0-5 years old

**Skills Taught:**



Reading



Writing



Numeracy

### CONTACT

Tel: 604-467-6055 Local 103

Email: [capc@familyed.bc.ca](mailto:capc@familyed.bc.ca)

Web: [www.familyed.bc.ca](http://www.familyed.bc.ca)



## TEENS, ADULTS, SENIORS

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**Program Name:** **Tutoring Service Provider** **Cost:** \$ Fee for service

**Organization:** LERNIT Tutoring Services

**Description:** We are Tutoring Service Providers for all subjects K to University to Adult throughout British Columbia, Canada and Worldwide On-Line.

**Location:** throughout BC

**Suitable for:** Adults, ESL, Seniors, Students

**Skills Taught:** All subjects K - University



Reading



Writing



Numeracy



Computer

### CONTACT

Tel: 604-329-3943

Email: [lernit@live.ca](mailto:lernit@live.ca)

Web: <http://www.lernit.ca/>

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**Program Name:** **Various Programs and Services** **Cost:** Free

**Organization:** Maple Ridge Public Library

**Description:** The library offers a range of literacy-related programs and services, from story times and baby times to reading buddy sessions, computer classes, job tours and teen and adult learner book clubs. Library staff regularly take their literacy initiatives on the road to schools, seniors centres and other community locations, and FVRL provides library materials for homebound and visually impaired customers. Our collection includes Adult Learner and English as a Second Language material, online reading tools for children, and non-fiction and fiction in many formats, including Large Print, CD Books and eBooks. Story kits can be borrowed by seniors centres, schools and daycares.

For dates, times and details of specific programs or services, please visit or phone the library, or view our guide at [www.fvrl.ca](http://www.fvrl.ca).

**Location:** 130 - 22470 Dewdney Trunk Road  
Maple Ridge, BC V2X 5Z6

**Suitable for:** all ages

**Skills Taught:** Support for reading, writing, numeracy



Computer

### CONTACT

Tel: 604-467-7417

Web: [www.fvrl.bc.ca/](http://www.fvrl.bc.ca/)

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**Program Name:** **English Corner** **Cost:** Free

**Organization:** English Corner

**Description:** Monday: Pitt Meadows Recreation Centre 7:00PM  
Tuesday: Maple Ridge Library 7:00PM  
Wednesday: Maple Ridge Library 2:30 PM

Improve conversational English and develop new friendships.

**Location:** see description

**Suitable for:** Adults, Seniors, Teens

**Skills Taught:** Conversational English



Reading

**CONTACT**

Tel: 604-466-0347

Email: [mapleridge\\_englishcorner@shaw.ca](mailto:mapleridge_englishcorner@shaw.ca)

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**Program Name:** **English Language Services for Adults (ELSA) Program** **Cost:** Free

**Organization:** Immigrant Services Society of British Columbia (ISSofBC)

**Description:** ISSofBC is pleased to offer English language classes from Literacy to Level 5 in Maple Ridge. Our Maple Ridge office is open Monday to Thursday, 9am to 4pm. For more information contact Eysa Alvarez at 604-942-1777 (ext. 1586) or email her at [eysa.alvarez@issbc.org](mailto:eysa.alvarez@issbc.org).

**Location:** #320-22470 Dewdney Trunk Road, Maple Ridge, BC V2X 5Z6

**Suitable for:** Adults, ESL, Seniors, Other (Permanent Residents/Landed Immigrants/Work Permit (case type 27)/Study Permit (case type 37)/Convention Refugees/Provincial Nominees (PNP)/Live-in Caregivers/Temporary Resident Permit (Case type 86,87,88,89)

**Skills Taught:** Listening and Speaking English



Reading



Writing

**CONTACT**

Tel: 604-942-1777

Email: [elsa.mr@issbc.org](mailto:elsa.mr@issbc.org)

Web: <http://www.issbc.org/>



**Program Name:** **English Practice Groups** **Cost:** Free

**Organization:** Share Family & Community Services

**Description:** This program provides fun and friendly places for adults to practice English, meet new friends, share their culture with others, and learn about the community. Drop in English Practice Groups meet at various times and locations throughout the Tri-Cities, and the groups are facilitated by volunteers. These are drop-in programs but some groups fill up quickly. Call the contact below to check availability.

**Location:** Port Coquitlam, Port Moody, Coquitlam

**Suitable for:** Adults, ESL, Seniors

**Skills Taught:** Conversational English

**CONTACT**  
Tel: 604-937-6976  
Email: [shae.viswanathan@sharesociety.ca](mailto:shae.viswanathan@sharesociety.ca)  
Web: [www.sharesociety.ca](http://www.sharesociety.ca)

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**Program Name:** **Women's English Group** **Cost:** Free

**Organization:** Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Katzie Community Literacy Committee

**Description:** Drop in women's group to learn English and led by a TESL-trained facilitator.

**Location:** The Learning Room @ the CEED Centre  
11739 223<sup>rd</sup> Street, Maple Ridge  
Thursdays from 10:00 am to 11:30 am

**Suitable for:** Women (Adult and Senior)

**Skills Taught:** Conversational English

**CONTACT**  
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Email: [facilitator@communityliteracy.ca](mailto:facilitator@communityliteracy.ca)  
Web: [www.communityliteracy.ca](http://www.communityliteracy.ca)