

# **Early Childhood**



# All-America City Grade-Level Reading Awards

Fourteen communities were presented the coveted All-America City Grade-Level Reading Award at a recent conference in Denver for developing ambitious, collaborative plans to help more children read proficiently by the end of third grade.

### Educational Alignment for Young Children: Profiles of Local Innovation

"Educational Alignment for Young Children: Profiles of Local Innovation" identifies five cities that are on the leading edge of efforts to create a seamless educational pipeline for children ages 0-8.

### Webinar Recording: Educational Alignment for Young Children

The YEF Institute recently sponsored an hour-long webinar on "Educational Alignment for Young Children: Profiles in Local Innovation." Speakers discussed local efforts to ensure more young children are prepared for success by aligning early care and education programs with K-12 education systems.

# More than 120 Communities Plan to Apply for All-America City Grade-Level Reading Award

Municipal, county and other local leaders in more than 120 communities submitted plans to boost children's reading proficiency as part of their quest to receive the National Civic League's (NCL) 2012 All-America City Grade-Level Reading Award.

# New England Mayors Help Each Other Address Early Education Goals

New England Mayors discuss how to improve educational outcomes for children by ensuring they are reading at grade level by the end of third grade

### NLC Helps Cities Align Early Childhood and Elementary School Education Systems

The YEF Institute launched an initiative to help municipal leaders align early childhood programs and elementary education in ways that increase the likelihood that children will be poised for educational success by the time they reach the third grade.

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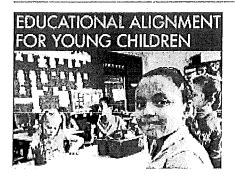
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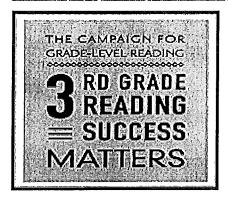
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Educational Alignment for Young Children: Profiles of Local Innovation

**More Resources** 

#### **FEATURED INITIATIVE**



Campaign for Grade-Level Reading

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