Texas Southern University 2nd Annual Family Literacy Day was held Sat., May 1 in the College of Education. Over 100 children attended and were able to experience literacy strategies and activities that were developed by pre-service teachers in the College of Education. The event, aimed at children from pre-K through grade 6 and their families, is designed to celebrate the joys of reading with a free afternoon of interactive story times, crafts and games. The primary focus of the event is Reading Circles, hosted by Dr. Mays and Dr. Smith’s Literacy classes within the College of Education. Each group picked a different theme and offered a variety of books and incentives for all ages.

Literacy Day is only one of many components of the College of Education to promote student involvement in literacy efforts throughout the city. Literacy Day is designed to serve as a celebration of the semesters activities, giving the children and student participants of the ongoing programs a chance to have fun and reflect on their accomplishments. It also serves as a way of encouraging additional TSU students, faculty and staff to get involved in the literacy effort in the community.

Hats off to the pre-service teachers in the College of Education- RDG 301, RDG 302, RDG 401 and EDCI 478!

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