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## Charles County Literacy Council

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**CHARLES COUNTY LITERACY COUNCIL (CCLC) providing one-on-one confidential adult tutoring in reading, writing, math, GED and ASVAB prep, ESOL and citizenship.**

**RETURNING -- TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISER will be held Saturday, February 28, 2026, from 5-9:30 pm, (Happy Hour at 5 pm) at St. Mary's Catholic School, in Bryantown, MD**

**Dear Literacy Supporter,**

At a recent community presentation, someone asked a question we hear often: **“If they graduated from high school, how can they not read?”**

Unfortunately, for many adults, graduation does not mean literacy. One of our learners shared that he spent his school years in special education classes and moved from grade to grade without ever learning to read. He graduated, but he still could not read a job application, a prescription label, or a ballot. His story is not unusual.

Today, **18–20% of American adults struggle with functional illiteracy.** That means millions of people cannot:

- Understand medical directions
- Navigate public transportation
- Complete employment forms
- Help their children with schoolwork
- Vote confidently and independently

**This is where the Charles County Literacy Council steps in.** We provide **free, confidential, one-on-one tutoring** to adults who want to improve:

- Reading, writing and comprehension
- Basic math skills
- GED and NEDP preparation
- ASVAB scores to enter military service
- English language skills for new Americans
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Since 1964, we have trained volunteer tutors and provided **all student materials at no cost.** Every workbook, every teacher manual, every resource is funded entirely through community support—and the need continues to grow.

On **February 28**, we will host our most popular fundraiser, **Adult Trivia Night**, to help ensure CCLC remains a strong, self-sustaining nonprofit. Teams will enjoy a fun evening of trivia competition, heavy appetizers, beverages, desserts, and a silent auction.

## **How You Can Help**

We are asking local businesses and community partners to support the event by:

- becoming a sponsor and/or
- sending a team

Your sponsorship will help us raise critical funds for CCLC's program, including student workbooks, tutor training, and educational materials that change lives.

We are the lucky ones we can read this letter.

**With your help, someone else will finally learn to read it too.**

Thank you for your generosity and continued belief in our mission.

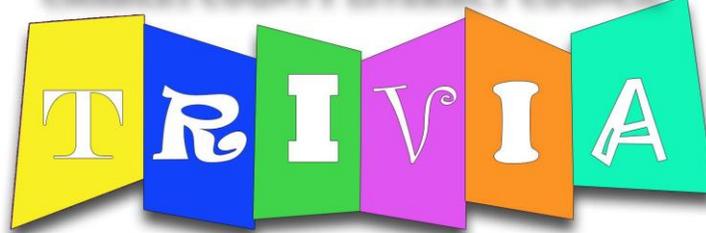
With gratitude,

**Linda Heimpel**

Program Coordinator

Charles County Literacy Council

# CHARLES COUNTY LITERACY COUNCIL



## PUB-STYLE TRIVIA WITH A **LSIM!**

Saturday, February 28, 2026

Happy Hour with Games 5:00 – 6:00 pm

Competition Begins – 6:30-9:30 pm

At St. Mary's Catholic Church/School, Bryantown

### Donation SPONSORSHIP FORM

All levels include team and/or table entry, acknowledgment on CCLC website and heavy appetizers, sweets, coffee, water and soda (beer and wine available for purchase)

Teams can range from 2-6 individuals

#### Literacy Champion -- \$1,000

- Receive 8 tickets for your company/organization. (Two competing teams of 4 or one team up to 6 plus 2 guests)
- A full-page ad in Program
- Logo on web site
- Promotion via social media posts
- Opportunity to provide promotion items to be used as favors for guests

*\$1,000 donation will fund the training of eight tutors and supplying instructional and learning resources to four adult learners for a full year*

#### Literacy Partner-\$500

- Receive 4 tickets for your company/organization (additional team members (up to six per team) at \$40 each)
  - A half page ad in the Program
  - Acknowledgment on web site
  - Promotion via social media posts
- \$500 donation will fund the training of three tutors and supplying instructional and learning resources to five adult learners for six months*

#### Literacy Advocate-\$250

- Receive 4 tickets for your company/organization (additional team members (up to six per team) at \$40 each)
  - A quarter page ad in the Program
  - Promotion via social media posts
- \$250 donation will fund the training of one tutor and instructional and learning resources for three adult learners for six months*

#### Literacy Supporter--\$150

- Receive 2 tickets for your company (additional team members (up to six per team) at \$40 each)
  - A business card size ad in the Program
- \$150 donation will fund the training of one tutor and provides instructional learning resources to one adult learner.*

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please send an invoice for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to the Charles County Literacy Council or donate online at [www.charlescountyliteracy.org](http://www.charlescountyliteracy.org). Complete the form and mail to: **Charles County Literacy Council, P.O. Box 2672, La Plata, MD 20646** 100% of proceeds will go to supporting CCLC's program. Further information call 301-934-6488.

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