



NEWS RELEASE
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Re: Grocery store scavenger hunt with the Port Angeles Main Library and Albertsons

The North Olympic Library System (NOLS) is partnering with the Olympic-Kitsap Peninsulas Early Learning Coalition and the Port Angeles Albertsons to create a grocery store scavenger hunt that turns an ordinary shopping trip into an interactive learning experience for parents, caregivers, and young children.

To get started, pick up a scavenger hunt game sheet at the Port Angeles Main Library Youth Services Department or the Port Angeles Albertsons Customer Service Desk. Then, during your next visit to the Port Angeles Albertsons, use your game sheet to visit different departments inside the store and discover new, creative ways you can love, talk and play with your child. Along the trip, discuss what you've found while hunting for the next item on your list. Once you've finished the hunt, return your completed game sheet to the library and receive a free *Love. Talk. Play.* reusable shopping tote. This fun, educational opportunity will continue for the remainder of 2014.

Studies show that spending time talking and playing with young children is crucial to early development. The *Love. Talk. Play.* scavenger hunt program supports parents and caregivers of young children by sharing tips and providing fun opportunities to engage with the children in

their lives. The scavenger hunt is a reminder of how an everyday activity can be an opportunity for growth and learning.

Love. Talk. Play. is a part of the library's ongoing efforts to support early literacy programming in Clallam County and is sponsored by Thrive by Five Washington, the state's nonprofit public-private partnership for early learning, the state Department of Early Learning, and the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, along with many other statewide and local organizations.

The Port Angeles Main Library is located at 2210 South Peabody Street. The Port Angeles Albertsons is located at 114 East Lauridsen Boulevard. NOLS offers storytimes and programming for parents and caregivers throughout the year. For more information about this and other programs for parents and youth, call 360.417.8500 ext. 7705, email youth@nols.org or visit www.nols.org and select "Youth."



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