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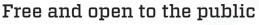
## Phonics & America's Early Literacy Crisis

Part of the Grand Challenges for Social Work Lecture Series

Friday, September 6, 2024 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm (MST) Okazaki Community Meeting Room (SW 155), College of Social Work 395 South 1500 East, Salt Lake City

When a child can't read, their chances of incarceration, homelessness, and unemployment increase. That's why Oakland-based activist Kareem Weaver believes literacy is one of the greatest civil rights issues of our time and is working toward better reading instruction. The documentary "The Right to Read"—the latest film by award-winning filmmaker and College of Social Work alumna Jenny Mackenzie—shares the stories of Weaver, a teacher, and two American families who fight to provide our youngest generation with the most foundational indicator of life-long success: the ability to read.

The film screening will be followed by a panel discussion with the filmmaker and College of Education experts on the science of reading.



Registration requested: socialwork.utah.edu/events





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