



Lumpkin Literacy

In coordination with Lanier Technical College, Lumpkin Literacy works to provide free GED tutoring and testing to a wide range of adults in Lumpkin County. They also work to lower other barriers to obtain a GED through gas card incentives, post-graduation scholarships, training supplies, and computers. It is estimated that Lumpkin Literacy volunteers have provided support to over 4,000 GED candidates. The annual GED graduates in Lumpkin County have continued to increase over the past six years. In 2022, Lumpkin Literacy was recognized for producing more GED graduates per capita for any county in the state of Georgia and are in the top 5 of all counties in Georgia for total graduates.

In partnership with the Lumpkin County Sheriff's Office, Lumpkin Literacy maintains a free library at the Lumpkin County Detention Center to promote reading and literacy.

Lumpkin Literacy is also actively involved in promoting early development literacy through *The Dolly Parton Imagination Library* and a national program *The Basics*. They also provide dictionaries and novels to Lumpkin County School System 3rd and 6th graders. Through these programs and partnerships, Lumpkin Literacy estimates they have supported over 10,000 children in Lumpkin County.

Lumpkin Literacy is also the only [Certified Literate Community Partnership \(CLCP\)](#) in the state of Georgia that is 100% volunteer. The efforts of these dedicated volunteers have paid off! In 2019, the Technical System of Georgia presented Lumpkin Literacy with the Barbara Loar Award for Excellence.