



## 24%

**of adults have low literacy**

Adults with below basic reading skills struggle to read beyond a very short text with basic vocabulary on familiar or specific topics. Some adults at this level are functionally illiterate.

LA avg | **27%**

US avg | **22%**

## 37%

**of adults have low numeracy**

Adults with below basic math skills struggle to compute beyond basic, one-step operations with addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. Some adults at this level are functionally innumerate.

LA avg | **42%**

US avg | **32%**

 Calcasieu

 Louisiana



**ECONOMY** *Increased adult literacy generates an additional 10-15% of GDP for our state.*

**Residents Living Below the Poverty Line**



**Median Income**



**Unemployment Rate**



**Households with SNAP/Food Stamps**



**GENERATIONAL LEARNING** *Increased adult literacy increases children's academic achievement.*

**4th Graders Failing English LEAP**



**Adults with no HS Degree**



**HEALTH OUTCOMES** *Increased adult literacy improves health & reduces healthcare costs.*

**Adults Reporting Poor or Fair Health**



**No/Limited Access to Healthcare**



**DIGITAL EQUITY** *Increased adult literacy increases access and effective use of digital technologies.*

**Households with no Internet**



**Households with no Computer/Device**

