

## Adult Learning Snapshot | Rapides Parish



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.

Louisiana

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 | 42%



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

Rapides

Residents Living Below the Poverty Line 18.8% 18.8%

Median Income

Unemployment Rate

6.0% 6.4% Households with SNAP/Food Stamps 18.0% 16.0%



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

4th Graders Failing English LEAP

Adults with no HS Degree

14.0% 14.0%

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

Adults Reporting Poor or Fair Health 19.0%

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No/Limited Access to Healthcare 10.0%

10.0%

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

Households with no Internet 16.8%

18.7%

Households with no Computer/Device

10.5% 10.4%