## EDUCATING OUR YOUTH



Your gift provides pathways to educational success in our community. In June and July, hundreds of youth and their families will be served by United Way's Keep Kids Thriving Literacy program in both Whitfield and Murray counties.

Putting books into the hands of children and their families is a critical part of United Way's work to ensure that all children are reading on grade level by the third grade. Students who are reading on grade level by third grade are four times more likely to graduate from high school. Every child and young person in our community should have the knowledge, skills, and experiences to succeed in school, work, and life.

The Keep Kids Thriving Literacy program is convened by United Way as part of our collective impact work to support literacy. We are very thankful to partner with all three local public school systems for this program. Last year, United Way distributed over **28,100 FREE** books to individuals and families in Whitfield and Murray counties! With your help, this year we can do more!

