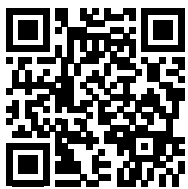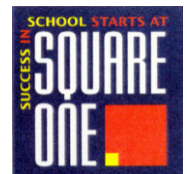# VIRGINIA BEACH TALKS

LENA GROW™

Virginia Beach Talks:
a LENA Grow Program

For Teachers & Childcare Providers

FREE Early Childhood Education coaching for early educators that aligns with CLASS and program quality! See the reverse side for more information.

Register at **www.VBGrowSmart.com/LENA-Grow**

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SUCCESS IN SCHOOL STARTS AT SQUARE ONE

Watch children come alive with language.

LENA Grow is a FREE practice-based professional development program designed to improve language environments equitably and build connections with each child in your classroom. Actively learn with LENA Grow with job-embedded coaching!

Using innovative "talk pedometer" technology, LENA helps you learn more about your classroom talk environment.

LENA Grow offers many benefits for your entire classroom community: children, families, and YOU!

By participating in LENA Grow, you will:

- Increase your knowledge of early language and brain development in young children
- Learn strategies to increase interactive talk
- Generate and review objective data to support the children in your classroom
- Connect with a certified coach to explore and build on personal strengths
- Become a LENA Grow certified teacher

For more information about this program and others, visit

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Our Vision

All children will be born healthy, enter kindergarten ready to learn, and continue to read proficiently through third grade, establishing a strong foundation for success in school and in life.

About LENA-Grow

90 childcare classrooms and 100 teachers participated in Grow coaching reaching over 787 children. The results: gains!

- **+142 more Adult Words.** Children were exposed to 142 more words per hour in childcare settings
- **13% increase in Conversational Turns.** Children were engaged in +3 conversational turns per hour in childcare settings
- **57% increase in turns** per hour for children who started at lower talk levels
- **100% of teachers** would recommend GROW
- **86% teachers** saw positive changes in children's language use