The NCPK teachers completed a 6-hour **Story Exploring** training based on the Motheread multicultural **Story Exploring** curriculum. This curriculum is designed for use with children ages birth through 11. It uses over 100 children’s books as the basis for instruction. The training helps adults build children’s reading and critical thinking skills. The take-home parent education materials are available in English and Spanish. The curriculum uses discussion questions and activities to foster creative thinking and problem solving skills, nurture a love of books, and aid in the development of comprehension skills. It includes a variety of language skill-building activities in reading, writing, listening, and speaking. The curriculum uses props, games, songs, and other activities to make reading fun.

The Hyde County Transformation Zone introduces Story Exploring to all 3 NCPK classrooms. The teachers and students are actively engaging in story time.