



Together, let's create a literacy-rich environment that ensures success for all Richardson ISD students.

“RISD invites you to become an advocate for some of our youngest learners. We want to build a lifelong love of reading, and we need you. Be the good in a young student’s educational journey by volunteering with **We Read Together.**”

- Tabitha Branum, Richardson ISD Superintendent

We Read Together is a literacy-rich volunteer/mentor program that partners RISD students with committed adults to regularly read, write, and learn together at school.

**RISD
Needs
you!**

Reading is the most crucial academic skill for a student to master because it is the basis of all learning. Without a strong

foundation in reading, students lag in every class, year after year, because most curriculum is taught using the skill of reading. Unfortunately, a significant number of RISD students struggle to read proficiently by third grade. **These students need additional interventions, resources, and YOU - champions from outside of the classroom - to catch up to their peers.**

"We are giving kids the opportunity for one-on-one reading experiences that they may not have access to otherwise. Reading and comprehending what they read is the most important aspect of education in the early years. This program is a step along the way."

- WE READ TOGETHER PILOT PROGRAM VOLUNTEER

Imagine If...



Every child had a parent or trusted adult to read with.



We met our Board Goal and surpassed it.

All students were reading on grade level.



All students had access to self-selected books at home.

We can build a love of reading in every student, every campus, every family in our community... TOGETHER!



What does it look like to be a We Read Together volunteer?



All volunteers receive best-practices training from RISD so that they are confident and equipped to work productively with students.



Each volunteer is paired with one or two students who have been identified by teachers as needing additional reading support.



Each week, volunteers will spend a 30-minute session during the school day leading students through literacy-focused reading, writing and learning activities.
All activity materials are provided on site.



READ



WRITE



LEARN



In order to build productive relationships with students, we request that volunteers commit to a semester or, when possible, a full school year.



In the Fall of 2022, We Read Together launches at:

- Audelia Creek Elementary
- Greenwood Hills Elementary
- Mark Twain Elementary
- Northrich Elementary
- Richland Elementary
- RISD Academy

RISD needs 50 volunteers for each campus.
Please consider becoming one of the 300 individuals who will support a child's reading growth this year!

START HERE!

- 1 Scan the QR code to fill out our volunteer interest form.
- 2 Visit www.risd.org/wereadtogether for the latest program updates.



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