



## Who We Are

### Our commitment to educational equity

The United States has a longstanding history of racism that has created inequities, predictable outcomes, and enduring barriers for people of color. Racism and anti-Blackness have penetrated every system and institution, including our education system where students of color have not received equitable learning opportunities. Our organization exists to uproot these deeply ingrained educational obstacles.

**The Reading Partners community recognizes that learning to read is a civil right** and we promote equity by helping students develop lifelong literacy skills and confidence to actualize their limitless potential. Our dedicated, student-centered team works across our core regions nationwide to partner with K-4 students—90+ percent of whom are students of color—and their families, as well as schools, community based organizations, volunteers, and AmeriCorps members to provide individualized tutoring and other evidence-based literacy support.

We also seek to increase literacy access for students by investing in bold, research-driven transformations and expanding into partnerships with organizations both within and beyond our regions. Whether through direct programming, our partnership delivery model, or transformative innovation, at Reading Partners we believe that providing all students with access to quality literacy support is an essential step in the pursuit of social justice.