

NATIONAL IMPACT REPORT

2023-24



Reading Partners collaborates with schools and communities to provide comprehensive literacy support to young students. Students in our tutoring program are referred by teachers and receive:

- ✓ ongoing assessments to help guide their individualized, data-informed instruction
- ✓ two evidence-based tutoring sessions per week
- ✓ culturally representative books at the appropriate reading level to help build their personal libraries

We also provide a suite of family engagement literacy focused resources to support at-home learning.

By the numbers

During the school year

and 7,231 students received one or more sessions

6,655

students received 12+ sessions of one-on-one tutoring

90%

of students identify as people of color

199,348

tutoring sessions delivered (30 sessions per student on average)

16%

of sessions delivered online via Reading Partners Connects

7,827

community tutors

180

reading centers

148,138

books distributed to students through "Take Reading with You"

In the summer

241

additional students received one-on-one tutoring

1,795

additional tutoring sessions delivered

Student performance



All Reading Partners students

87%

achieved their individualized reading growth goals



K-2 Reading Partners students

91%

developing mastery of key foundational reading skills* needed to read at grade level

*We track growth in the key foundational literacy skills students need to become independent readers, such as alphabetic principle, phonics, and vocabulary.

Note: Percentages are for students receiving 20+ sessions.

Program recognition

Teachers

100%

report Reading Partners is valuable to their school*

Principals

92%

report improved school-wide reading progress*

Volunteers

85%

are satisfied with their volunteer experience*

*Among respondents of 2023-24 surveys

Reading Partners is a program validated by research and evaluation



Expanding access to literacy support through innovation & partnerships



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PARTNERS

The Powered by Reading Partners model provides our partners with engaging, high-quality educational materials and extensive training to implement effective literacy tutoring with students.

Innovative literacy support partnerships

2,917 family members or caregivers participated

73 workshops facilitated

94% of family participants agree or strongly agree that the content in workshops is informative

Innovation spotlight



CAP Tulsa recently recommitted to the vision that all children served would reach their full developmental potential by the end of third grade. Family Engagement

Powered by Reading Partners has helped ensure that families who participate in their alumni program, CAP Connect, as well as their ESL program, are equipped to support and advocate for their growing readers. In the first year of partnership, 19 CAP Connect families and 50 CAP ESL participants attended workshops, and 100% of participants rated the workshop they attended as excellent (75%) or good (25%).

“This program is very important and necessary for my life because I need to learn English and my kids need to have love for books.”
— CAP Tulsa family member participant

“[The most valuable part is getting] information about how to create routines and ways to find books. Now, I know how to implement a reading routine.”
— CAP Tulsa family member participant

Tutoring Powered by Reading Partners partnerships

307 students tutored

1,839 tutoring sessions delivered

65% of students met partner-defined literacy goals

76% of students showed literacy growth

100% of partner staff believe Reading Partners adds value to their community

Partnership spotlight



CommonBond is an organization in the Twin Cities that provides wrap-around services to residents in their housing communities. Knowing that literacy is a foundation for student success, they've partnered with Reading Partners to enhance their Study Buddy program focused on literacy and social emotional learning. Dedicated tutors from the Study Buddy program have been trained to implement Reading Partners Connects programming in each of their sessions with students. The youth leaders at six CommonBond communities have learned to manage the program and coach tutors toward student success. At the end of the year, 85% of students saw their literacy scores go up during the time in the program.

“Reading Partners has been phenomenal to work with every step of the way. They took the time to align their program model and curriculum with our goals and existing structure to ensure our team understood how to implement Reading Partners with fidelity while maintaining the key aspects of programming our youth were accustomed to.”

— Alecia Leonard, Vice President of Advantage Services at CommonBond

Thank you to the many organizations across the country that used Powered by Reading Partners in 2023-24 to help students on their journey to becoming confident, lifelong readers.

