

# READING PARTNERS WORKS.

New study reveals that volunteer tutors can raise reading achievement and multiply resources for schools and students in need.

The Reading Partners program is a proven, evidence-based national model for engaging community volunteers to support classroom instruction by providing effective, one-on-one tutoring for students who have fallen behind in reading.



## Reading Partners is a resource multiplier.

The program brings together community volunteers, AmeriCorps, school and private resources to provide students in need with one-on-one reading instruction that is **more affordable for schools to implement than other typical literacy interventions.**

## Reading Partners raises reading proficiency.

Independent, gold standard research\* demonstrates the program has positive and **statistically significant impacts** on student reading proficiency:



Reading comprehension



Fluency



Sight-word reading

The study found the program **is effective for a wide variety of students** - from different grades and baseline reading achievement levels, for male and female students, non-native English speakers, and students of different ethnicities.

The study showed that for every \$1 invested, the Reading Partners volunteer program model **delivers over \$2** in literacy resources to students.



Reading Partners is an effective, high-value, affordable option for schools.

\*Evaluation by MDRC, a nonprofit, bipartisan education and social policy research firm. The rigorous random assignment study was implemented in 19 schools in three states, involving more than 1,200 second- to fifth-graders. Visit [readingpartners.org/research](http://readingpartners.org/research)