Reading Partners Connects
Volunteer Description

WHO WE ARE: Reading Partners is an education nonprofit that mobilizes community volunteers to provide one-on-one literacy tutoring to elementary students who are behind grade level proficiency in reading. Becoming a volunteer tutor requires no previous experience, as we provide an easy-to-follow curriculum that includes step-by-step lesson plans to teach an effective lesson.

Reading Partners Connects is Reading Partners’ online tutoring program that helps meet the needs of schools, students, and communities.

VOLUNTEER COMMITMENT:
● Work one-on-one with an elementary school student reading below grade level.
● Follow the Reading Partners Connects structured curriculum.
● Attend four hours of training over the course of two orientations
● Routine 15-30 minute check ins with a Reading Partners team member
● Complete a background check.
● Commit to a minimum of 1.5 hours per week for a year.
● Follow the guidelines in our Tutor Code of Conduct.
● Assist Reading Partners staff in maintaining safe and effective tutoring sessions.

OUR COMMITMENT:
● Provide a meaningful way to get involved in your local community in an online environment.
● Provide an easy-to-follow curriculum.
● Train and empower volunteers to effectively support students’ academic progress.
● Respond promptly and thoughtfully to volunteer questions.
● Support students and families with access to technology and tutoring sessions.

WHAT WE LOOK FOR IN A READING PARTNERS CONNECTS TUTOR:
● A willingness and eagerness to learn and receive coaching.
● Patience and empathy for students in a remote learning environment while holding high expectations.
● An ability to interact effectively with diverse student populations.
● Commitment to your student and tutoring schedule.
● Access to reliable wifi, PC, Mac, or Chromebook computer with a functioning webcam, microphone, and headphones with a microphone. Please note that Reading Partners Connects sessions will be recorded for student support and safety purposes.

Interested or have additional questions?
Email us at volunteersf@readingpartners.org, or call (510) 830-3032