



New Haven Reads has Community-Wide impact!

Our Tutors Make the Difference for our Students!

The New Haven Reads tutoring model is adapted and individualized for each student so he can work on his literacy needs at his own pace. Tutors and our Site Staff can work together to tailor a student's session based on the child's needs.

For some of our students, easing anxieties around reading is all about finding the right book. One of our younger students was worried about transitioning from picture books to chapter books but after much encouragement from his tutor, he discovered a Dragon Masters chapter book. Site Director, Carol, printed out coloring pages from the publishers and his tutor acted out the stories to make them come alive. He came in the following week excited to keep reading the story and even took home the next couple books from the series to read before bed!



A brand new student was distracted by the bustling in-person environment so he and his tutor created a fun schedule of events he could use to check off completed tasks and even get reward stickers! He also had a reading buddy, Mr. Penguin, sit next to him and help him pick out the right answers in Lexia! Our tutors go the extra mile for our students to make sure they have the best possible learning experience - and our programs work! We are currently calling students off our waiting list to join our program. We need your help! If you or someone you know would like to tutor- please contact volunteer@newhavenreads.org.



Thank you to all of our supporters for investing in our students and helping them to thrive!



Join us for our 10th NHR Spelling Bee!

We will be online through Zoom and Kahoot again this year – so you can join us from anywhere!
Visit our website to find out more!

Volunteer Spotlight: Kristy White



Krista White began tutoring at the Science Park site in of May 2021. She discovered NHR when a friend of hers – a tutor – forwarded her an email about summer internships that she thought might interest Kristy’s teenager. As she did some research into New Haven Reads, Kristy was inspired to explore volunteer opportunities for herself.

When we asked Kristy what keeps her coming back to NHR she responded with, “No question, the kids keep me coming back. And I might secretly enjoy reading *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* books

along with my students!” (Don’t we all!)

Kristy also shared with us, **“What I love most about volunteering at New Have Reads is the mentor-like relationship. I am not their mom or teacher – just another trusted adult that shows up for them”**

We are so grateful to Kristy and all of the volunteers that make NHR such a success. If you are interested in finding out more about how you can become a tutor, please visit our volunteer page on our website or email volunteer@newhavenreads.org!

Saturday Tutoring Starts Off Strong!

The Saturday program at Willow offers four in-person and online sessions for students to come and develop their reading skills. These sessions are funded through a generous grant from the Seedlings Foundation.

Gigi, one of our returning Willow Street students, was excited and proud to have her younger sister, Leila, join her this year. Leila is in first grade and was nervous to walk into the site to meet her tutor. Gigi took her little sister and introduced her to everyone! By the end of the first session, they were laughing with their tutors and brought them into the book bank to help choose books to take home!



Community partnerships and interns help deliver our programs.



New Haven Reads has a long (and growing!) tradition of working with interns from local universities to support our programs.

Programs include work-study interns and those who receive course credit. Not only do these interns share the joy and power of reading with our students, they get great hands-on experience working with students of all ages, which help them in their future careers.

We currently have 18 interns representing representing several local universities and majors including Criminal Justice, Sociology and Education. We are so grateful for this invaluable resource for our tutoring program and at the Book Bank!

Celebrating Arts and Humanities Month



Students chose to spend choice time drawing pictures of their families to recognize the importance of their language and their communities! This sparked new conversations with their tutors and helped strengthen bonds between reading pairs.

Calling all Teachers!

Our Book Bank is open for Virtual Field Trips! Book your date on our program calendar, come pick up the books for your students, and we will read stories to you class via Zoom! Contact Victoria at books@newhavenreads.org for more information. You can **book your field trip for your classroom on our website!**

Fall by the Numbers

- **240** one-on-one tutoring students for **335** hours of programs every week.
- **74%** of tutoring hours are in-person and **26%** online
- **179** volunteer tutors
- **4,012** books distributed



Upcoming Events

Spelling Bee 10 – Friday November 5, 2021 at 7pm. This is an online event.

Veteran's Day – November 11 NHR is open for programs.

Thanksgiving Recess – NHR will be closed Monday, November 22 – Saturday, November 27

Fall Book Bank Hours

Monday: 12pm - 4pm

Tuesday: 1pm - 7pm

Wednesday: 1pm - 7pm

Thursday: 1pm – 7pm

Friday: 12pm – 4pm

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