Over 200 attended our “Tell Me Why It Works: The Science Behind Reading” panel!

On December 6, 2022, New Haven Reads hosted a literacy event at the Barack H. Obama Magnet University School, before an in-person audience of over 200 people.

The opening speaker was investigative journalist, Emily Hanford (American Public Media). She has brought the country’s attention to the research behind the Science of Reading in her podcast including recently released Sold a Story. The event featured national literacy experts Dr. Margie Gillis (Literacy How) and Dr. Kymyona Burk (ExcelinEd). Also featured were Dr. Tamu Lucero (Stamford Public Schools), and Ashley Stockton (New Haven Public Schools). Each had a unique perspective about the importance of the science behind reading and the necessity of implementing Connecticut’s Right to Read legislation.

Special thanks to our event partners: NewAlliance Foundation, Literacy How, and Southern CT State University. The event was live-streamed by Education Reform Now, and watched by over 1,000 viewers.

NHR to receive an Congressional Earmark!

New Haven Reads is delighted to announce that we have been awarded a Congressionally Directed Spending Award of $150,000!!

This award is for one year and will be used to build our internal organization capacity to incorporate more Structured Literacy throughout the organization. Structured Literacy practices follow the Science of Reading creating an even more structured, explicit, and differentiated model focusing on the foundational aspects of learning to read. This investment in training and added implementation will enable New Haven Reads to expand our programs to meet the current and future literacy needs of our student population. We are deeply grateful to the offices of both Senator Chris Murphy and Senator Richard Blumenthal for their support and partnership in securing this funding.

Thank you for your tremendous support during our recent annual appeal. Our board match goal of $20,000 for new and increased gifts was a huge success thanks to your generosity!
Our students on the waitlist need volunteer tutors!
Can you help?

Is your New Year’s resolution to make a difference in your community? Join us as a volunteer tutor!

With a commitment of just one hour a week, you can change the life of a child by helping him become a skilled and confident reader. Our program works! We provide all of the training and ongoing support you will need.

We are expanding our Bishop Woods tutoring capacity by adding Monday and Wednesday students – please join us as a tutor! We have opportunities at our other three locations too. Find out more: visit our website or contact us at volunteer@newhavenreads.org

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Winter at NHR by the Numbers

We’re working with **303** students at **4** locations every week for over **400 hours** of programs. Thanks to over **270** volunteers!

We distributed over **8,000** books in November and December and hosted **23** field trips!

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Save the date!

New Haven Reads invites everyone to celebrate our 20th anniversary on:

**Wednesday: April 26, 2023**
5:30pm - 8pm
Bear’s Smokehouse Barbecue

More information coming soon!

For more information and sponsorship opportunities contact Fiona@newhavenreads.org

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