What is your New Year’s Resolution?

Lots of New Year’s Resolutions don’t stick, but we have a great suggestion for you! **Join our incredible group of literacy tutors!** With just one hour a week, you will change the life of a child. We provide all of the training and ongoing support you will need.

**Find out more on our website: newhavenreads.org.**

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The NHTI has expanded!

In 2023, New Haven Reads was chosen as the Lead Literacy organization as part of the Mayor’s New Haven Tutoring Initiative (NHTI). The goal of the initiative is to increase the literacy and math skills by providing coordinated opportunities in summer and after school programs for students to learn critical literacy and math skills, build home libraries, and develop an enjoyment or reading and math.

**In this citywide effort, New Haven Reads supports 10 after school organizations** to help them learn a version of our tutoring program that they may teach their own students. Literacy Instructors visit and support all of these partners as they implement these programs. The NHTI now **reaches over 800 New Haven children every week!**

The organizations using the literacy tutoring model based on NHR are LEAP, Boys and Girls Club, IRIS, Inspired Communities, Upon This Rock, and NHR. Four programs participate in the infusion model which is an adapted group learning model; Auntie Rose Daycare and Preschool, Solar Youth, the YMCA, and CPEN.

**How can you get involved in the NHTI? It takes a whole community to ensure that our children become successful readers.**

- **Join us as a volunteer tutor!** Support a child at NHR or one of our partners in literacy and/or math. Complete the form on our website and attend an Intro Session to find out more!
- Spread the word! Do you know a child who needs help? Visit [www.uwgh.org/tutoring](http://www.uwgh.org/tutoring)
- Keep an eye out for event information and join us in building a city of readers!
2023 was an amazing year at NHR! Thank you for being a part of helping our students be successful!

Attention Current Tutors!
Do you have a friend or family member thinking about becoming a tutor? For the month of February, we are inviting our current tutors to bring a friend or family member to see what tutoring is all about. There are opportunities to visit all four locations.

Please RSVP to Fernanda@newhavenreads.org. We look forward to seeing you and your Valentine at NHR!

Winter at NHR by the Numbers
Working with 337 students at 4 locations plus online every week for 481 hours of programs every week.
Supporting 14 Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten students with targeted early literacy program.
Thank you to over 300 volunteers!
We distributed over 6,144 books in December!
Over 100 attendees joined our Science of Reading training

We had a great turnout both online and in person for our recent Science of Reading training presented by Margie Gillis. Margie is the Founder and President of Literacy How. Margie led an engaging training that provided insight into the science of reading and how we use it at New Haven Reads to support our students. She shared some of the latest research about how we learn to read and how structured literacy activities can be applied in tutoring.

The session has been recorded and will be available. Visit our website for a list of helpful resources to find out more about the science of reading.

Sharing a student story...

Angelina has been working with her tutor for several months and they have developed a wonderful bond. Angelina gets regular progress reports showing that her reading is low. She shared with her tutor that this makes her feel sad because she is very aware of her reading level in relation to her peers, yet she still comes each week ready to try.

Her tutor ensures that Angelina receives a great deal of affirmation and positive energy during their tutoring sessions. By the end of each session, they are smiling and laughing together. And their hard work is paying off! According to her most recent NHR assessment, Angelina has made great progress! Her Site Director, Aimee, shared, “Angelina is a sweetheart and tried her best every session! Having her tutor support and believe in her makes the world of difference. We are so proud of her and she will be moving up in her workbook level!”
Upcoming Events and Important Dates

February Recess – No Tutoring or Pre-K/Kindergarten:
Friday, Feb 16, Monday, Feb 19 and Tuesday, Feb 20

Foundations Tutor Training:
In person at 85 Willow Street Feb 20: 2 - 4pm

April Recess:
Monday, April 15 to Saturday, April 20

Sharing some of the comments from donors during our recent Annual Appeal.
Thank you to everyone who supports NHR – we appreciate you!

Keep in touch by following us!

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