

A Fifth Location for New Haven Reads!

New Haven Reads is thrilled to provide our successful one-on-one tutoring program at Fair Haven School!

Our initial student cohort is attending on Tuesdays and Thursdays through June. Starting in September, we will be tutoring four days a week.

NHR Education Director, Hayley Herrington, said, “We are excited to partner with the team at Fair Haven School! This is a wonderful opportunity to expand the reach of the New Haven Reads program and serve more students who need literacy support.”

We are deeply grateful to the Nellie Mae Foundation for funding this expansion. Thank you to the wonderful Principal and teaching staff at Fair Haven School for this opportunity.



Interested in becoming a volunteer tutor?

We are seeking tutors for Fair Haven School and our other locations. The commitment is just one hour a week. We provide all the training and support you need to be a successful tutor!

Our Volunteers are amazing!

Our tutoring program and Book Bank can only exist because of the generosity of our volunteers. We appreciate you all each and every day!



Senator Richard Blumenthal and Mayor Justin Elicker Visited NHR



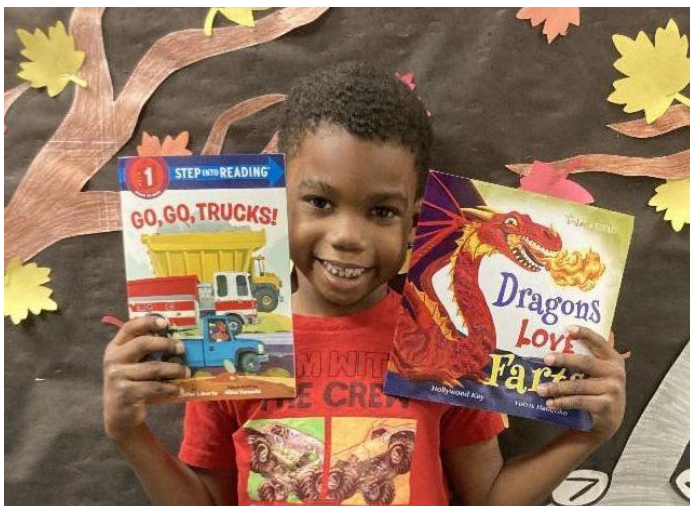
We had a wonderful visit with Senator Richard Blumenthal and Mayor Justin Elicker to discuss our successful literacy program supported by the recent Congressional Directed Spending Award.

This one-year award will be used to build our organizational capacity to incorporate more

Structured Literacy throughout the organization to meet the current and future needs of our students. 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 is focused on three focus areas: staff and volunteer training, curriculum and assessment development, and increasing our Structured Literacy resources.

Thanks to Senator Blumenthal and Murphy for their support in securing this award for New Haven Reads!

Our Read Across America “Bookraiser” Will Build Home Libraries in Time for Vacation!



A big thank you to everyone who supported our Read Across America “Bookraiser” event! We received over 50 new books and \$1,500 to purchase books. Our site teams are looking forward to visiting some of our local independent booksellers to spend some of these funds!

Your incredible support means that every child at NHR will receive two brand new books at the end of the school year! Students

have the opportunity to choose their own books to take home to build their home libraries. It is one of our favorite times of the year.

NHTI is Delivering Excellent Results



In 2023, New Haven Reads was chosen as the Lead Literacy organization as part of the Mayor's Tutoring Initiative (NHTI). The NHTI mission is to empower every student to reach their full potential in reading and math.

In this citywide effort, New Haven Reads supports 10 afterschool 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 600 students 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; Aunt Rose Day Care and Preschool, Solar Youth, and CPEN!



**WORKING WITH
619 NEW HAVEN
STUDENTS WEEKLY**

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

**10 LITERACY PARTNERS
OVER 2,500 VOLUNTEER HOURS**

MAKING STRIDES:

**87% OF STUDENTS IMPROVED
DECODING AND WORD RECOGNITION
SKILLS WITH AN
AVERAGE INCREASE OF 24%**

Spring at NHR by the Numbers

Working with **402** students at **5** locations plus online every week for **570** hours of programs every week.

Thank you to over **350** volunteers!

Supporting **24** Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten students with targeted early literacy programs.

We distributed almost **6,000** books in March!



Have You Seen NHR at Your Local Event?

We loved participating in the **Greater New Haven St. Patrick's Day Parade Family Fun Zone!** We gave away hundreds of books and enjoyed interacting with the families attending the parade.

This spring, you will see us at various outdoor festivals and events. It is a great opportunity for us to share our mission and give away some books. **If you see us, make sure you come by to say hello! Keep an eye out for us in the Elm City Freddy Fixer Parade on June 1.** Last year, we gave away just over 1,000 books. We want to set a new giveaway record this year!



Thank you to everyone who
supports New Haven Reads –
we appreciate you!

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