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JACK PARENT READINGPROGRAM

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We Believe...
Kids Can Succeed

Success Starts with Reading

The **N2N Jack Parent Reading Program** has been improving the literacy skills of children who are reading below grade level and are under-resourced since 2003.

N2N provides over 100 volunteer to tutor over 200 students in 14 elementary schools from both school boards.

Students are selected by their schools to participate.

Schools provide N2N with reading levels three times a year for evaluation purposes.

Certified or retired educators are responsible for all tutor training and support.

Our tutors engage with students for 30-40 minutes every week to help them improve their decoding, comprehension and fluency skills through one-on-one support.

The research is clear: if children cannot read proficiently by the end of third grade, they face barriers to success in school and beyond.

It is evident from our experience, as well as research on learning, that early intervention in the primary grades can greatly impact the reading ability and self-confidence of children.

"When my child is working and reading with their tutor they get a different perspective. They didn't like to read because it was boring in their eyes but the tutor makes it seem like they're entering another world when reading."
-Parent

N2N provides, at its own expense, all tutoring materials including:

Levelled reading materials, sight word and phonic cards, literacy games, bookmarks, log books, reading strategy tools and stickers

Throughout the year we purchase new books and near the end of program we set aside a day for the tutors to choose books for their students. The books, along with school supplies, are packed into bags and presented to the children at the end of year Success Celebrations.

Goals and Outcomes

The N2N Jack Parent Reading Program directly addresses poverty prevention as we believe that education plays a key role in human, social and economic development. Through a weekly commitment of two hours, tutors are able to create professional relationships with students that provide them with the social capital that builds self-confidence. Evidence of this increase in self-confidence is shown by the comments from students and in survey responses from the parents and teachers.

- Improve the reading levels of children in grades 1-4 who are reading below grade level.

97% **of students showed improvement in their reading skills.**

- Increase a child's self-confidence through one-on-one support.

86% **of parents and teachers reported an increase in their student's/child's self-confidence.**

- Provide positive role models, foster a love of reading and an appreciation of literature.

86% **of students had a positive experience in the program.**

"When I read a big word I get a clap or a high five. I like it when my tutors are so proud of my reading."

- Student

Make a Donation to Provide...

$1000

Books for the entire program

$100

Tutoring materials for one school

$500

One child with tutoring for an entire school year

Adopt-a-School

$7500

One school with a program for an entire year

$5000

Funding for all the Success Celebrations

Thank You for Your Support.

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