

+What Teachers Found Most Helpful About Literacy Partners (2024-25):

"The relationship that my literacy partner builds with my students. They are excited and love reading with [their literacy partner]." - Anderson Mill Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"The connection and relationship they built with my struggling students." - Berkman Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"It is just nice to see how excited they are to go read with them and how confident they feel after having that 1:1 attention." - Berkman Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"My literacy partner was flexible when my students were absent or they wanted to swap turns." - Bertram Elementary School, Burnet CISD

"I loved how my literacy partner checked in with me on what was going on in the classroom and had clear communication. My students love to see him and to have another adult invested in their learning." - Blanton Elementary School, Austin ISD

"The students reading to another adult - many of the kiddos don't have that at home." - Block House Elementary School, Leander ISD

"The extra adult relationship built with students who needed to feel connected." - Cactus Ranch Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"Having another person loving and connecting with my kid, caring about them helped him succeed more!" - Cactus Ranch Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"It was a great experience this year!" - Cactus Ranch Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"Someone taking time to come and pour into our students. Having another adult that is encouraging literacy in my student's lives is always beneficial!" - Cactus Ranch Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"The literacy partner displays a positive attitude and truly showed she enjoyed reading with my students. They also enjoyed reading with her." - Caldwell Heights Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"The literacy partner also worked on reading high frequency words which has been very beneficial." - Camacho Elementary School, Leander ISD

"I love how the Literacy Partners care about the kids and want to form that connection through literacy." - Camacho Elementary School, Leander ISD

"The literacy partners are AMAZING! They truly go above and beyond creating relationships with the students." - Camacho Elementary School, Leander ISD

"The kindness and love that they showed my students." - Camacho Elementary School, Leander ISD

"How they made it fun for my students. They always were excited to read with their buddy." - Caraway Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"My literacy partner made a HUGE impact on my students social/emotional level. She provided a safe and consistent relationship to my student who needed that 1 on 1 attention." - Carver Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"My kids enjoyed sharing their reading time with other adults." - Carver Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"They showed they cared about my students and about me personally. They were amazing!" - Carver Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"My literacy partner was extremely helpful in my students social emotional needs." - Carver Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"That is was a consistent routine." - Carver Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"I love the fact that the literacy partners are noninvasive to the classroom, are prepared, the students love working with them, and they communicate with me about absences (although I am not always on top of that for them unfortunately)." - Colt Elementary School, Marble Falls ISD

"The love the literacy partners have for using their personal time to read with kids." - Colt Elementary School, Marble Falls ISD

"Honestly, anytime an adult can give our students focused reading time it is beneficial. I want to thank all of the volunteers, the effort is never wasted!" - Cooper Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"The students loved reading with their partners." - Cooper Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"It gave the student a 1:1 opportunity to read with an adult." - Cooper Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"My students loved reading with their partner." - Cox Elementary School, Leander ISD

"Literacy partners' willingness to help with whatever students needed. :)" - Cypress Elementary School, Leander ISD

"When they couldn't show they always let me know and the meeting at the beginning letting me know what was expected of me." - Cypress Elementary School, Leander ISD

"Having that quiet one-on-one time with my student reading!" - Deer Creek Elementary School, Leander ISD

"I love my literacy partner and my kids are always so excited to see her." - Deer Creek Elementary School, Leander ISD

"The great relationship they have with the kids! Also, telling me how the kids are doing." - Deer Creek Elementary School, Leander ISD

"Super easy, stress free, helpful to the students, easy to work with, no problems." - Elsa England Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"Our Literacy partner was good at connecting with his students he read with. They loved the days they met!!" - Elsa England Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"No prep on my part. I love that this program doesn't require extra work for teachers." - Fern Bluff Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"Having extra support for students who are below level with reading." - Forest Creek Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"She was consistent and the kids loved when she came to read with them." - Forest Creek Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"The enthusiasm that the literacy partners bring each week is so helpful to motivate the kids to enjoy reading." - Gattis Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"Students looking forward to their lit partner and making a connection." - Giddens Elementary School, Leander ISD

"All of the literacy partners take a personal interest in every student they work with." - Grandview Hills Elementary School, Leander ISD

"Kindness and caring -- made the child feel special." - Great Oaks Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"Engaging and creating a positive relationship with my student." - Herrington Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"Just the one-on-one time for my student who needed the extra attention due to family circumstances." - High Point Elementary School, Belton ISD

“Students that do not get attention or read to at home are getting to do that in the school setting and greatly enjoy the one-on-one attention.” - High Point Elementary School, Belton ISD

“Having another adult that students can connect with that make a positive role model.” - Highland Lakes Elementary School, Marble Falls ISD

“Building positive reading attitudes.” - Hisle Elementary School, Leander ISD

“I do not have to coordinate this, and I am able to continue whatever I'm working on in class.” - Hubbard Branch Elementary School, Belton ISD

“My Literacy partner was excellent!! She communicated well and the students looked forward to going with her to read.” - Igo Elementary School - Jarrell ISD

“The kids were excited to read with their partner each week.” - Jim Plain Elementary School, Leander ISD

“My students were happy to read with their partner every week.” - Jim Plain Elementary School, Leander ISD

“I enjoyed these two students having another person to read with weekly.” - Jim Plain Elementary School, Leander ISD

“The relationships that were built between the readers and the students!” - Lago Vista Elementary School, Lago Vista ISD

“[My student] loves reading to another man. Because they talk about his day before reading.” - Lagos Elementary School, Manor ISD

“[My student] is using eye finger coordination and pointing to each word.” - Lagos Elementary School, Manor ISD

“[My literacy partner] was always communicating with me. She was amazing with the students who loved to work with her. She brought up the student's engagement and confidence in school.” - Lake Pointe Elementary School, Lake Travis ISD

“I love that all I need to provide them with is a student's name and their reading level, then they meet with the student and they work on whatever they feel is best for the student based on their meetings. It allows my students who struggle with reading the opportunity to grow with 1:1 support and learn from someone new! They all love getting to read with their literacy partner and it makes them feel special!” - Lake Travis Elementary School, Lake Travis ISD

"I really liked the way the literacy partner created a connection with the student she read with." - Larkspur Elementary School, Leander ISD

"The sheer joy my two students had when they went out in the hallway to read." - Laura Bush Elementary School, Leander ISD

"The confidence and love for reading continued to grow!" - Laura Bush Elementary School, Leander ISD

"Getting my students excited about reading." - Leon Heights Elementary School, Belton ISD

"I loved partnering with my literacy partner. She was so easy to work with and understanding." - Liberty Hill Elementary School, Liberty Hill ISD

"I love being able to give my struggling readers the opportunity to read with a caring adult." - Liberty Hill Elementary School, Liberty Hill ISD

"How wonderful, consistent, encouraging and invested our reading buddy is!" - Live Oak Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"Students really enjoyed having the reader come and looked forward to it." - Live Oak Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"It is easy, they do the work and it is not a distraction when they come into the classroom." - Marble Falls Elementary School, Marble Falls ISD

"Reading buddy would communicate if the books the students had chosen were too difficult. She would help them pick out books from the library that would be more on their level." - Marble Falls Elementary School, Marble Falls ISD

"Low key for me as the teacher and it gives students extra reading time with an adult." - Mason Elementary School, Leander ISD

"The kids LOVED having someone spend time and read with them! Other students wanted to know why they couldn't go! :(" - Mason Elementary School, Leander ISD

"The happiness this program brings the students." - McCoy Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"She was amazing and so flexible! The students were so happy to see her and she worked on sight words and blending with books and games I provided." - McCoy Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"Just having a connection outside of school to model reading was invaluable." - McCoy Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"Ease at which relationships were built and comfort level of scholars." - McCoy Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"I loved our reader. She was always on time, and the kids enjoyed reading with her!" - McCoy Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"All of my students loved reading with their lit partner! They always were watching the clock for when it was their turn. This is a great program so THANK YOU!" - Naumann Elementary School, Leander ISD

"I appreciate having the program!!" - Noble Elementary School, Liberty Hill ISD

"I appreciate the excitement from both the literacy partners as well as my students who benefit from the program." - North Elementary School, Leander ISD

"The kindness and patience shown to my students." - Old Town Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"Building confidence and excitement to read." - Packsaddle Elementary School, Llano ISD

"Students gaining a relationship with another adult through literacy." - Pleasant Hill Elementary School, Leander ISD

"Having the student read for extra time and it's not stressful on me." - Pleasant Hill Elementary School, Leander ISD

"I think it's a great tool to build the confidence for my kiddos." - Pleasant Hill Elementary School, Leander ISD

"Literacy Partners each created a safe environment for students!" - Pond Springs Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"The joy my students got! They LOVED going!" - Pond Springs Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"[My literacy partner] is amazing. My students created a bond with her and looked forward to her coming each week (sometimes waiting at the door). We love having her as our Literacy Partner." - Pond Springs Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

"Literacy partner was genuinely excited to meet with our students weekly. For that reason, my students looked forward to meeting with their literacy partner." - Purl Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"No teacher plan needed." - Purl Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"The consistent positive interaction." - Purl Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"The literacy partners I had were extremely communicative, flexible, and transparent with me. They were incredible!" - Purl Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"Students get motivated when they read with a literacy partner." - Purl Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"I love when our literacy partner comes in excited to meet and get to know our students. Students feel valued and appreciated and look forward to meeting with their reading partner." - Purl Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

"The support that I get from the literacy partners for my students. That allows me to focus on other things which values my time." - Rancho Sienna Elementary School, Liberty Hill ISD

"The volunteers being able to take a quick instruction from me and then execute it with the student(s). The volunteers all work great with the students and have built positive relationships with them." - Reagan Elementary School, Leander ISD

"Reading to them. Practicing fluency." - Riojas Elementary School, Pflugerville ISD

"The student had more positive influences in his RPE life!" - River Place Elementary School, Leander ISD

"The literacy partners help me out a lot to provide additional reading time with some of my students who are teetering on/below grade level! Plus, the kids love that individualized instruction time that they don't always get in the classroom." - River Place Elementary School, Leander ISD

"I am grateful for the additional reading support given by reading partners!" - River Ridge Elementary School, Leander ISD

"We get to choose the student getting pulled and when they are pulled." - River Ridge Elementary School, Leander ISD

"I found it most helpful to have someone helping the student read and allowing the student to build a relationship with the literacy partner." - RJ Richey Elementary School, Burnet CISD

"The appreciation and kindness of the literacy partner. She was genuinely happy to be there and loved reading with my students. My students also benefited from reading with her." - RJ Richey Elementary School, Burnet CISD

"I think it is nice that the students have another adult to read with. It is very important for growth to hear an adult read with intonation." - Rough Hollow Elementary School, Lake Travis ISD

"Positive attitude and showing excitement to be reading with my student." - Rough Hollow Elementary School, Lake Travis ISD

"Kindness to struggling students." - Rough Hollow Elementary School, Lake Travis ISD

"Literacy partners find ways to engage the student in reading and make it fun for them." - Rutledge Elementary School, Leander ISD

"Helped boost student confidence!" - Santa Rita Elementary School, Liberty Hill ISD

"[My literacy partner] was so helpful and eager to help my students with their reading skills and try new strategies. My students LOVE every time she comes to read with them!" - Santa Rita Elementary School, Liberty Hill ISD

"His excitement and patience for working with the kids. He made them look forward to working with him." - Serene Hills Elementary School, Lake Travis ISD

"I have found that when a literacy partner is supportive, friendly and accommodating it works best for my students and me." - Serene Hills Elementary School, Lake Travis ISD

"The extra reading time for students that needed the extra time and attention given for reading." - Shady Grove Elementary, Burnet CISD

"The enjoyment of the students for one-on-one time." - Southwest Elementary School, Belton ISD

"My kids LOVED reading with their partners!!! My other students were jealous." - Southwest Elementary School, Belton ISD

"He's easy going attitude and willingness to work with my schedule. She was understanding and flexible!" - Steiner Elementary School, Leander ISD

"They were so happy to see my students and my students felt it!" - Tarver Elementary School, Belton ISD

"My students look forward to the 1-1 attention and instruction. They look forward to being the kid who gets to read with their person!" - Tarver Elementary School, Belton ISD

"Everyone has been so generous with their time! My kids appreciate the support!" - Tarver Elementary School, Belton ISD

“Our assigned reading partner giving my students extra attention each week, which they both benefitted from.” - Teravista Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

“My students love the attention! She made them feel special.” - Teravista Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

“Consistency! My partner also went above and beyond, purchasing two books off of my teacher Amazon wish list! Such a sweet and generous gesture!” - Teravista Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

“My student below grade level seemed to enjoy being pulled out and having focused attention on her while reading.” - Union Hill Elementary School, Round Rock ISD

“I have a lot of low English language learners this year, so the fact that the reading literacy partners had brought in sight words, allow students to choose their own books to read, and (if the student was having an off day/shutting down) they would offer to read to the students to model reading strategies.” - Village Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

“My students' literacy partner was great about establishing a relationship with the two students they read with and allowed them a little bit of room to talk about unrelated things to the books they read, but also redirecting them to listen to the books and follow along with them as they read.” - West Cypress Hills Elementary School, Lake Travis ISD

“I just love the program and the readers, so I'm a huge fan of it!” - West Cypress Hills Elementary School, Lake Travis ISD

“It was all around a great experience.” - West Cypress Hills Elementary School, Lake Travis ISD

“Literacy Partners' positive attitudes and care for students.” - Whitestone Elementary School, Leander ISD

“The dedication of people outside of my school to help my students be successful readers.” - Williams Elementary School, Georgetown ISD

“I found the connection with another trusted adult was great for my two students.” - Winkley Elementary School, Leander ISD

“I found the partners to be amazing and so incredibly supportive of our students.” - Winkley Elementary School, Leander ISD

“I love that my students enjoy going with their partner!” - Zavala Elementary School, Austin ISD