

Gurukulam for Life (GFL)

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Dr. Raja Rajasekaran is the founder of Gurukulam for Life (GFL), a Missouri nonprofit dedicated to helping students in Grades 2–8 become competent readers and confident writers who are ready to excel across all subjects. Currently, he teaches all the classes.

After a distinguished 30-year career as an agricultural scientist, technology leader, trainer, and educator, Dr. Rajasekaran began a new mission focused on children's learning. Through years of teaching and working closely with students, he recognized an important truth: reading fluently is only the beginning. Lasting academic success comes when children can understand what they read, think critically, explain ideas clearly, and express themselves confidently in writing.

This belief shaped GFL's unique approach. With small classes, individualized instruction, thoughtful discussions, and meaningful writing, GFL helps every child progress at their own pace while building the confidence and skills needed for success in school—and beyond.

One of GFL's proudest achievements is *Diligence*, its annual student magazine, where every child becomes a published author, celebrating their growth as writers and communicators.