


The Reading Report

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Reading ASSIST[®] Institute (RAI) is a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to improving the literacy skills of children at risk for reading failure. For over twenty-one years, RAI's Volunteer Tutor Program has helped thousands of at-risk Delaware children in grades K-3 learn to read using its phonetic, structured language approach to reading instruction.

Look at what people are saying about RAI's Volunteer Tutor Program!

“We can always count on the Reading ASSIST volunteers who are exceptionally well-trained and professional in their approach. Tutoring, along with the work our teachers are doing in the classroom, allowed the students to receive the extra help they needed to help them avoid more specialized and more costly education services. Additionally, Reading ASSIST tutoring freed our teachers to work with other children who needed additional attention.” *Jacqueline Lee, School Principal*

“I watched as some of our struggling students met with success due in part to this wonderful team. They took these students and gave them not only the academic support they required but the emotional support as well.” *Veronica Wilkie, School Principal*

“The support provided by these volunteers has allowed struggling readers to feel successful while targeting each student's area of instructional need. The students' skills have improved, and more importantly they are now applying those skills in the classroom.” *Dorothy Johnson, School Principal*

“What's made the difference in this little boy's life? About forty-five minutes a day, four days a week, with a team of four volunteers who have the knowledge and skills to help him succeed in becoming a literate participant in the world.” *Barb Kanter, RAI Volunteer Tutor*

“RAI has a narrow and singular focus: to teach struggling children to read and spell. The training for volunteers is comprehensive and prepares them for immediate success once they begin tutoring. It is very practical, but includes enough theory and background information to give the volunteers a good foundation. In addition, the program is constantly updated to include the latest research and comply with any government initiatives.” *Lisa Crawley, parent of RAI student and Volunteer Tutor*

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