

Reading Buddies Volunteer Information

Opportunity

Are you looking for a fun way to earn volunteer hours? Join KFPL as a teen volunteer for Reading Buddies this summer.

KFPL's Reading Buddies program nurtures the developing literacy skills of young readers. Teen volunteers and Library staff collaborate to provide reading support and fun literacy activities for developing readers who are in Grades 1 through 3.

We are offering two different opportunities this summer.

Program	Library Branch	Age of Readers	Training Date	Session Dates	# of Hours
Reading Buddies	Calvin Park 88 Wright Cres	Grades 1-3	11:30am-1:00pm Mon., July 14	1:00pm-3:00pm Mon., July 14 Tues., July 15 Wed., July 16 Thurs., July 17	9.5 (includes training)
Reading Buddies	Rideau Heights 85 MacCauley St	Grades 1-3	9:00am-10:30am Mon., August 11	10:30am-12:30pm Mon., August 11 Tues., August 12 Wed., August 13 Thurs., August 14	9.5 (includes training)

Role and Responsibilities

Volunteers will be paired with an individual or pair of emerging readers to provide literacy support.



As a volunteer, you will attend a training session to learn about working with younger readers and your responsibilities as a KFPL volunteer.

Volunteers must:

- Attend training sessions
- Commit to all programs dates and be punctual
- Assist with the delivery of Reading Buddies programming
- Create a positive, fun and enriching environment for younger reader
- Support young readers as they develop literacy skills

You will get to meet new people, give back to your community, and develop your skills as a leader, all while earning volunteer hours.

Time Commitment

Each Reading Buddies program requires a commitment of up to 9.5 hours. It is expected that volunteers will attend all program sessions. Program sessions will take place in the afternoon during weekdays at the Calvin Park program, and in the mornings at Rideau Heights.

Teen volunteers are welcome to volunteer for both programs.

Application

To apply for a volunteer position, please email **Max Manga, Teen and New Adult Services Librarian** (mmanga@kfpl.ca) with:

- 1. Your name
- 2. Grade
- 3. Contact information
- 4. The programs you are interested in
- 5. A short description of why you would like to volunteer

Applications are due by **June 30, 2025** for the Calvin Park session, and **July 28, 2025** for the Rideau Heights session. Accepted volunteers will be required to submit a reference.

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