

How Does ABQ Reads Work?

Volunteer tutors commit 1.5 hours a week to tutor two Kindergarten or 1st grade students, one-on-one, for 30 minutes each. Lessons are scripted by a certified APS teacher and structured into three 10-minute segments—reading, writing, and skills development.

Segment 1 —

Reading: may include reading to the student, reading with or by the student, book discussions, book handling skills, making predictions, asking and answering questions.



Segment 2 — Writing: may include letter or word writing, student dictation, interactive writing, student writing, and response journal writing.

Segment 3 — Skills Development: may include proper pencil grip, phonemic awareness, phonics, letter or word recognition, and letter formation.



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How Do I Get Started?

Getting involved is simple. You must:

- Pass a background check through APS (cost \$12)
- Attend a three-hour training session in August or September
- Commit to tutoring from September through April
- Commit to 1.5 hours per week of your time
- Apply at abqreads.com

What Are Tutoring Dates and Times Available?

Whittier: Tues., Wed., Thurs.,
Kindergarten: 8:40-10:10am
First Grade: 10:15-11:45am

Bel-Air: Tues., Wed., Thurs., 9:00-10:35am

Atrisco: Tues., Wed., Thurs., 8:30-10:05am

What If I Can't Commit To 1.5 Hours Each Week?

You can still be a change-maker! An option is to form teams of up to four volunteers. Select the day of the week that works best (Tues., Wed., or Thurs.). The 4-person team rotates their members volunteering on this day throughout the month. This lessens the time commitment to 1.5 hours per month per volunteer.

Does the Program Make a Difference?

The ABQ Reads tutoring program is evaluated on a yearly basis by Albuquerque Public Schools' Strategic Analysis & Program Research office in order to provide measurable results of the program. The most recent multi-year analysis of ABQ Reads' program effectiveness stated the following, "...findings remain consistent and positive that ABQ Reads helps students to reach the ultimate goal of reading at grade level."

