



Credentialing & Non-credit Programs

Division of Outreach, Engagement and Regional Development



Phonics Fluency

Comprehension
Love of Reading
Textbook Skills
Reading Speed



Program for 4-Year-Olds and Entering Kindergartners

In this fun summer program, your child will learn to read. Children learn letter recognition, beginning phonics, and easy sight words. Your child will learn to read simple words and short sentences and will be excited about books and reading.

Program for Entering 1st Graders

In this fun summer program, your child will learn to read independently. Children learn phonics and sight words, build fluency and comprehension, and develop a love of books and reading. Your child will be excited about reading and get off to a great start in first grade.

Program for Entering 2nd Graders

In this fun summer program, your child will become a fluent, confident reader. Children build solid phonics and word-attack skills and develop reading fluency and strong comprehension. Your child will gain confidence, be excited about books and reading, and get off to a great start in second grade.

Program for Entering 3rd Graders

In this fun summer program, your child will become a strong, enthusiastic reader. Children improve reading fluency and develop excellent comprehension. They build long-word decoding skills and expand their vocabulary. Your child will gain confidence, develop a lifelong love of books and reading, and get off to a great start in third grade.

Programs for Entering 4th and 5th Graders

In these fun and effective programs, your child will become a skilled, enthusiastic reader and a better writer. Students develop strong comprehension skills in fiction, non-fiction, and textbooks. They expand their vocabulary, and learn to read more fluently and rapidly.

Students learn effective techniques that will improve their writing skills and build their confidence as writers. Your child will complete homework and writing assignments more quickly and easily, get better grades, and enjoy reading more.

Programs for Entering 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th Graders

In these effective and enjoyable programs, your son or daughter will make substantial gains in comprehension in fiction and nonfiction, learn to read twice as fast, and become a better writer. Students expand their vocabulary and learn the best way to take notes and study for tests.

Students learn effective techniques that will improve their writing skills and build their confidence as writers. Your child will complete homework and writing assignments more quickly and easily, get better grades, and enjoy reading more.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER Call 1-800-715-2808

Mon.-Fri. 7am-7pm, Sat. 7am-5pm and Sun. 9am-4pm

The programs bring together great books and proven online reading instruction from a dedicated and inspiring teacher.

These popular classes are taught by instructors from the Institute of Reading Development and offered through NIU Outreach. Tuition varies by program level. Please ask about our family discount.

This summer, help your child grow into a skilled, enthusiastic reader.

"My daughter is sounding out words on her own, and she is so excited about reading to us! She loved this program, and I was very impressed with the books and materials."

Parent of kindergartner

"Thanks to this program, my son is now reading independently and his confidence is through the roof. I cannot express enough how grateful I am for this program."

Parent of 1st grader

"Online teaching is a special set of skills, and your teachers are spot on!"

Parent of 2nd grader

"Allison loved doing the long-word decoding lessons. Her reading skills have improved tremendously, and she is reading more challenging chapter books."

Parent of 3rd grader

"The teacher was phenomenal! She kept students engaged and participating, and my child was more excited about reading as the weeks went on."

- Parent of 4th grader

"Patrick's comprehension has really improved, and he loved the books. I've recommended this to other parents."

Parent of 5th grader

"The lessons were fun and easy to follow. It is much easier for me to study and take notes now. I don't put off studying until the last day because I know I can get through it fast."

– 7th-grade student

"I liked tracking my reading speed and seeing it go up from week to week. I used to not like to read because it was too time-consuming, but now it's easier to finish."

9th-grade student

A variety of weekend and weekday schedules are available.



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