

## Reading Buddies at Surrey Libraries

### What is the Reading Buddies program?

This program is a chance for children grades 2-4 to practice and improve their reading skills in a non-threatening environment. The children will be paired up with a high school student volunteer to enjoy reading and playing literacy games together. This program does NOT teach children how to read.

### Format

This after school program runs for 1 hour every week for 6 weeks. Parents must bring their children to the library and wait for them until the program ends. **Children must attend all sessions** unless they are ill. If they cannot come to a session, please phone or email before the program starts.

### Audience

All children from grades 2-4 are welcome in this program. Children who speak a language other than English at home may benefit most from this program. Space is limited for this program and parents must fill out the following form. Parents will be contacted by Library staff if they are selected.

### Volunteers

Each volunteer has received training to orient them to the resources available at the library, to learn about working with children and helping them to read, and to understand their responsibilities in keeping the children safe.

### Branch Information

| Branch          | Weekday   | Date Range        | Time        | Librarian | Contact                                                                |
|-----------------|-----------|-------------------|-------------|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| City Centre     | Tuesday   | April 15 - May 20 | 4:00-5:00pm | Stephanie | <a href="mailto:stephanie.baum@surrey.ca">stephanie.baum@surrey.ca</a> |
| Clayton         | Wednesday | April 9 - May 14  | 4:00-5:00pm | Michelle  | <a href="mailto:michelle.meech@surrey.ca">michelle.meech@surrey.ca</a> |
| Cloverdale      | Tuesday   | April 15 - May 20 | 4:00-5:00pm | Heather   | <a href="mailto:heather.Matson@surrey.ca">heather.Matson@surrey.ca</a> |
| Fleetwood       | Tuesday   | April 8 - May 13  | 4:30-5:30pm | Claire    | <a href="mailto:claire.badali@surrey.ca">claire.badali@surrey.ca</a>   |
| Guildford       | Tuesday   | April 8 - May 13  | 4:00-5:00pm | Yesenia   | <a href="mailto:yricardo@surrey.ca">yricardo@surrey.ca</a>             |
| Newton          | Tuesday   | April 15 - May 20 | 4:00-5:00pm | Rei       | <a href="mailto:rkitano@surrey.ca">rkitano@surrey.ca</a>               |
| Ocean Park      | Tuesday   | April 8 - May 13  | 5:30-6:30pm | Leslee    | <a href="mailto:lagawthrop@surrey.ca">lagawthrop@surrey.ca</a>         |
| Semiahmoo       | Thursday  | April 17- May 22  | 4:00-5:00pm | Sarah     | <a href="mailto:sarah.mcneil@surrey.ca">sarah.mcneil@surrey.ca</a>     |
| Strawberry Hill | Wednesday | April 9 - May 14  | 3:30-4:30pm | Mehj      | <a href="mailto:mnali@surrey.ca">mnali@surrey.ca</a>                   |

# SURREY LIBRARIES READING BUDDIES CHILD REGISTRATION FORM

## CHILD INFORMATION: (Child must be in Grade 2 to 4)

Last Name (Surname): \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Child's first language (if not English): \_\_\_\_\_

## PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_



Library branches will stop accepting registrations once the program is full at that location.

**Please return this application to the Youth Services Librarian at the branch where you want to attend the program at least two weeks before it starts.**

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### Photo/Video Release

Surrey Public Library (also referred to as "the Library") has my permission to use photographs or video clearly showing my child's likeness for the Library's promotional purposes such as brochures, posters, annual reports, advertisements, website, and social media channels like Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and Instagram. I agree that the Library may also share this content with the City of Surrey for use in the City's publications and with Envision Financial, a division of First West Credit Union, the financial sponsor, for their promotions.

I expressly release Surrey Public Library, the City of Surrey, and Envision Financial, a division of First West Credit Union, from any claims, demands, or compensation arising out of the distribution, broadcast or exhibition of my child's image.

Signature of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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