

Role of DEED Reading Specialist

To assist school leadership and educators in the process of evaluating, implementing, and sustaining evidence-based literacy practices supported by the Science of Reading, some of the methods in which the Reading Specialist may provide support:

- Model effective instructional strategies virtually and on-site for teachers.
- Coaching and mentoring teachers and staff in reading instruction and providing effective feedback to increase teacher efficacy.
- Provide professional development in data analysis, assessment literacy, and using data to differentiate instruction.
- Leading and supporting reading leadership teams.
- Reporting on school and student performance to the department.
- Support school leadership in implementation.
- Support presentations to parents and educators communicating the progress on goals.



OVERVIEW

What is the Department Reading Program?

An optional and intensive reading program providing direct support of evidence-based practices and reading intervention with a DEED Reading Specialist to provide coaching and direct the implementation.

Through the Department Reading Program grant and collaboration between the Reading Specialist and local school team, K-3 reading intervention materials and professional development will be provided.

1 year program, option to renew for a second year.



Important Dates

Invitation given to the lowest-performing 25 percent of schools serving students in grades kindergarten through three in the fall.

- Informational Webinar for eligible schools: December 4, 2023
- Application Due: February 15th
- Notification of Acceptance: April 1st
- Reading Specialist Assigned
- Collaboration on Intensive School Reading Improvement Plan: April
- Goals and Program Implementation: April to May of following school year

