

New Big Buddy Interest Form

Students in grades 7-12 may apply.

Reading Buddies: January 22-March 6

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE December 9, 2022

Please print clearly.

TEEN INFO:

Teen's first and last name: _____

Teen's preferred name: _____

Pronouns: _____

School: _____

Age (on first date of program): _____ Grade (on first date of program): _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

*We will use this email address for Reading Buddies notifications. We will use your phone number to contact you about attendance.

Street address: _____

City: _____ State/Zip: _____

GUARDIAN INFO:

Parent/Guardian's name: _____

Phone number (in case of emergency) _____

*Email _____

*An adult will be copied on all emails/texts exchanged between a teen and a library employee.

TRAINING

New Big Buddies are **required** to attend training, which will be held via Zoom. A link to the meeting will be sent prior to training. Please initial the date below to indicate that you can attend:

_____ **Sunday, January 22 from 3:30-4:30 via Zoom**

If you cannot attend this training, please notify us (louisvillereadingbuddies@gmail.com) and we will find a time to train you before the session starts.

PROGRAM DATES

Please initial the program dates you can attend. If you will not be able to attend a date, DO NOT initial that date. **Big Buddies must be able to attend 4 sessions** to participate (preferably all).

Day and date	Time	Initial if you can attend
Sunday, January 29	3:30-4:30	
Sunday, February 5	3:30-4:30	
Sunday, February 12	3:30-4:30	
Sunday, February 19	3:30-4:30	
Sunday, February 26	3:30-4:30	
Sunday, March 5	3:30-4:30	

QUESTIONS

I want to be a Reading Buddy because: _____

What else should we know about you: _____

Are you interested in becoming an Assistant Coordinator? (Must be in grade 9-11)

_____ Yes _____ No _____ Maybe

VOLUNTEER EXPECTATIONS:

Applicant, please initial the following statements:

_____ I am aware of the dates and requirements of the program. I will arrive on time and contact the Coordinators (louisvillereadingbuddies@gmail.com) in advance if I am unable to attend.

_____ I agree to participate in all aspects of the program with enthusiasm and to the best of my ability. I will be a caring, reliable, and creative Big Buddy.

_____ I will adhere to the library's volunteer guidelines and will model appropriate behavior in the library.

_____ I will also submit a City of Louisville volunteer application. I understand that I cannot volunteer until the City application is approved.

Signature of volunteer: _____ Date: _____

Signature of parent/guardian: _____ Date: _____

PLACEMENT INFORMATION

Big Buddies are placed on a first-come, first-served basis with returning Big Buddies receiving priority. Program capacity depends partly on how many Big Buddies and Little Buddies apply.

You will be notified about your status in the program by email on or before January 13, 2023.

_____ Check here if you would like to subscribe to notifications about the next session of Reading Buddies and provide the email address here:

Email: _____

Cut here and save the info below

ABOUT US

For questions regarding the Reading Buddies program or attendance, please contact the Reading Buddies Coordinators at louisvillereadingbuddies@gmail.com. The Reading Buddies Coordinators are teen volunteers with prior experience and expertise in running the Reading Buddies program.

For questions regarding forms, applications, and policies, please contact Lindsay Huth, Children's Librarian and volunteer coordinator at childrensreference@louisvilleco.gov.

Your application is not yet complete.

You also need to complete a City of Louisville volunteer application, found at <https://www.louisville-library.org/about/volunteer-and-support/volunteer>

Return both your completed Reading Buddies Interest Form AND your completed City of Louisville volunteer application together to the Children's desk at the Louisville Public Library (951 Spruce Street, Louisville, CO 80027) by the date listed on the first page.

Applications may also be emailed to childrensreference@louisvilleco.gov.

Incomplete applications cannot be accepted.