



Humility + Consistency + Simplicity

JANUARY

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Join us in celebrating the gift we have been given of a new year! We are excited to see what 2019 holds for Education Connection, and most importantly the students. As we begin reading with the students again know that each week your deposit of time and attention is sowing intangible value into each of their lives!

CONNECTION IS KEY

Coming back from Winter Break it is important to reconnect with the students. This simple learning strategy can increase retention and success rates because when we know someone cares then we care about what they know. In our case, we know how to read and as the students know we care about them they will begin to care about reading. Here are some tips for connecting with the students...

1. Ask questions
2. Mention something they've previously shared
3. Remind your student that you will be reading with them weekly
4. Share something about yourself unrelated to reading
5. Thank your student for taking the time to come read with you

BE INSPIRED

New (adj.) - not existing before; made, introduced, or discovered recently or now for the first time

Year (n.) - 365 days, divided into 12 months, beginning Jan 1st and ending December 31st

STAY CONNECTED



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1 VOLUNTEER + 2 KIDS + 30 MINUTES

= CHANGING THE WORLD



A WORD FROM OUR DIRECTOR

Happy New Year! I hope you enjoyed celebrating the holidays with friends and family. As we start the new year and the second semester of the 2018-2019 school year I am reminded of why we started in the first place - the kiddos. What an honor it is to serve these students in their formative years and being with them as they grown their love of reading.

In a season of resolutions, I encourage you to reflect in the reason you became a part of Education Connection and why you became a volunteer. Thank you for bringing hope and inspiration to our younger generation!

Amy Hagen, LMSW

Education Connection Executive Director

SHARING YOUR WHY

Why do you set aside time each week to go read to elementary school students? We want to encourage you to share your answer to this question with a family member, friend, or co-worker that you think might be interested in joining our Education Connection tribe. Help us make one final push in recruiting Volunteers for the 2018-2019 school year.

In just three simple steps,

- 1) Register at www.education-connection.org
- 2) Submit a background check
- 3) Complete online training

You can make a difference as we continue towards our goal of every child reading by 3rd grade!

HAVE A QUESTION?

Email us at info@education-connection.org or give us a call at 512-813-5918. We'd love to connect with you and offer support in any way we can.

