



FLORIDA LITERACY COALITION, INC.

Reading Instruction Pilot Project

The Florida Literacy Coalition is seeking community-based literacy programs to participate in a special statewide pilot project focused on teaching reading to adults using the [Evidence-Based Literacy Instruction \(EBLI\)](#) method.

The project will be open to both new and existing instructors, providing one-to-one instruction to adults with low-level reading skills. Tutor coaches and students will be asked to commit to participating in all project activities, including at least 5 months of regular instruction, as well as completing periodic assessments and surveys to measure progress. Preference will be given to adult literacy programs that provide at least two tutor/student pairs.

Project Details and Timeline

Online Mini-Courses (December 2024 – January 2025)

Tutor coaches agree to complete two self-paced online mini-courses provided by EBLI as well as review other selected preparation materials/videos.

Zoom Training Webinars

January 14, 5pm – 6:15pm

January 21, 5pm – 6:15pm

Tutor coaches will attend two training/coaching webinars that will introduce EBLI's 21 instructional videos and provide instruction and guidance on how to coach and support students through the EBLI learning process. These videos will be watched by tutor coaches and students together, during their weekly sessions. The webinars will also address other topics, such as barriers (i.e. embarrassment, trauma and fear of failure) that students may be facing and discuss strategies to promote self-efficacy.

Additional tutor coaching sessions, provided by EBLI, will be available for the first 4 months.

Tutors are asked to begin instruction using EBLI in January or early February 2025.

February 2025 - FLC will host a Zoom webinar with participating adult learners to discuss the project, meet one another and discuss their individual and common experiences.

March 2025- Tutor Coaches will attend the 3rd and final webinar training. Date TBD.

June 2025 - FLC will conduct feedback surveys of the tutor coaches and students.

All participating students must agree to take pre and post-reading assessments in January and June 2025. The assessment will be provided by FLC and administered by the local program.

FLC and EBLI will provide the required training, assessments and instructional materials. Local programs/tutors are asked to provide small dry-erase board and markers. Program managers will be briefed on project developments and provided with a summary of the initiative's results.

Given that this is a pilot project, we seek tutors and students who can commit to completing the project and who are flexible in making changes and adjustments along the way.

If you have any questions, please contact Greg Smith at smithg@floridaliteracy.org.

Application Due Date: January 6, 2025

[Apply Here](#)