Read Ahead Program Calendar 2023-2024

See below for key program dates and school closures when Read Ahead will not be in session. Also included is a monthly theme, which will be explored with your Program Coordinator through a fun icebreaker, book recommendations, or special activity.

This calendar was last updated on Friday, November 3, 2023. Dates are subject to change and mentors will be notified as soon as possible if schedules need to change.

October 2023 Read Ahead Sessions Begin

Each match will begin 1:1 program sessions between the week of October 23rd and the week of October 30th. Your Program Manager will confirm your start date.

- Mon. October 9: Indigenous People's Day, Schools Closed & Read Ahead Closed
- Week of October 23 October 26: Program Sessions Begin at one school partner

<u>Program Managers will share specific start date, time, and Zoom links once mentors</u> are matched with mentees.

November 2023 Hispanic Heritage Month

- Thur. November 2: Afternoon & Evening Parent Teacher Conferences; No Read Ahead
- Tues. November 7: Election Day, No Read Ahead (students do not attend school)
- Mon. November 13 Thurs. November 16: Program Sessions Begin at majority of school partners
- Wed. November 22 Fri. November 24: Thanksgiving Break, No Read Ahead

*Hispanic Heritage Month is typically celebrated from Wednesday, September 15th - Friday, October 15th; however, due to the program orientation schedule, we are unable to celebrate with Read Ahead matches. Program Managers will share some resources for you to engage with your mentee.

December 2023 Gratitude & Joy Month

We will have some optional opportunities for mentors to come to school sites and meet their mentees during designated times. Program Managers will reach out to you with additional information to confirm participation.

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- Thur. December 21: Last Day of Program Sessions Before Holiday Break
- Mon. December 25 Sat, December 30: Schools closed for Winter Recess, No Read Ahead

January 2024 National Mentoring Month

- Week of Mon. January 2 Fri. January 5: No Read Ahead Program Sessions, Staff Professional Development Week
- Mon. January 8: Read Ahead sessions resume
- Mon. January 15: Schools closed for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, No Read Ahead

February 2024 Black History Month

- Week of February 5 February 8: In-Person Mentor-Mentee Sessions at some school partners
- Week of February 12 February 15: In-Person Mentor-Mentee Sessions at the rest of school partners
- Mon. February 19 Fri. February 23: Schools closed for Midwinter Recess, No Read Ahead

March 2024 Women's History Month

- Monday, March 4: March Madness Reading Challenge Launches! Program Managers will share additional information
- Thur. March 7: K-5 Afternoon & Evening Parent Teacher Conferences, No Read Ahead
- Fri, March 29: Easter Weekend, Schools Closed, No Read Ahead

April 2024 Earth & Environmental Awareness Month

- Mon, April 1: Schools Closed, No Read Ahead
- Wed, April 10: Eid al-Fitr, Schools Closed No Read Ahead
- Thur. April 11 Fri. April 12: Read Ahead may be canceled due to ELA testing; Program Manager will share any scheduling modifications
- Mon, April 22 Tues, April 30: Schools closed for Spring Recess, No Read Ahead

May 2024 Asian American Pacific Islander Month

Mon, May 6: Books & Beyond Gala, No Read Ahead

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- Tue. May 7 Wed, May 8: Read Ahead may be canceled due to Math testing;
 Program Manager will share any scheduling modifications
- Thur, May 9: K-8 Afternoon & Evening Parent Teacher Conferences, Program Manager will confirm if there will be Read Ahead sessions
- Mon, May 13 Thur. May 16: In-Person Mentor-Mentee Sessions at some school partners
- Mon, May 20 Thur. May 23: In-Person Mentor-Mentee Sessions at some school partners
- Mon. May 20 Thur. May 23: Last Week of Program Sessions
- Mon. May 27: Schools closed for Memorial Day, No Read Ahead

*Note: Testing schedules vary by school and may include other dates from April-June. Program Coordinators will inform mentors of any schedule changes as soon as Read Ahead is made aware of them!