



Read Better Be Better



**WE INSPIRE AND EQUIP 8TH GRADERS
TO HELP US SOLVE ARIZONA'S LITERACY CRISIS**



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Arizona Has A Problem

84% of Arizona's 3rd graders from low-income families are not reading at grade-level, making them 4 times less likely to graduate from High School



AZ = 44th/50 States



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What would you change about the program?

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RBBB Has A Solution

Read Better Be Better (RBBB) helps children improve literacy skills and become better learners.





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How It Works





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Service-Learning

- Orientation / Training
- Progress Monitoring
- Reflection
- Feedback



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RBBB In Action





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What's in it for me?!

Reading Leaders

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- Leadership skills
- Reading and Communication skills
- Letter of recommendation
- Volunteer Hours
- Proven impact
- Feel good factor!

Site Leaders

- Classroom management skills
- Broadened network and horizons
- Sense of community and civic engagement
- Volunteer Hours
- Proven impact
- Feel good factor!



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What they said...

"It's actually kind of hard to describe how much RBBB has impacted me. The skills I've gained have put me way ahead of the game in terms of teaching skills and classroom management."

Rebecca, ASU Service-Learning Intern

"The program changed me because it helped me to be more patient and taught me how to be a better role model"

Rogelio, 8th grade student, Edison School PESD.

"Now I want to work in places where they need change and need help, because I am confident that I can do that"

Claire Roberts, ASU Service-Learning Intern, RBBB Site Leader



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Practice

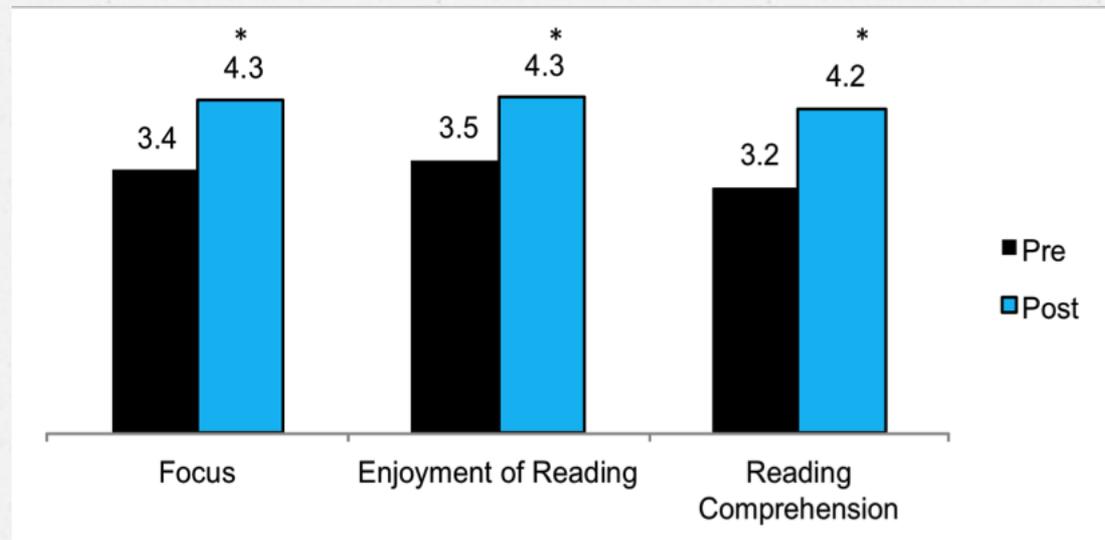




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Impact Data

“Figure 2 shows that participants improved on all three subscales to statistically significant extent between the beginning and the end of the semester

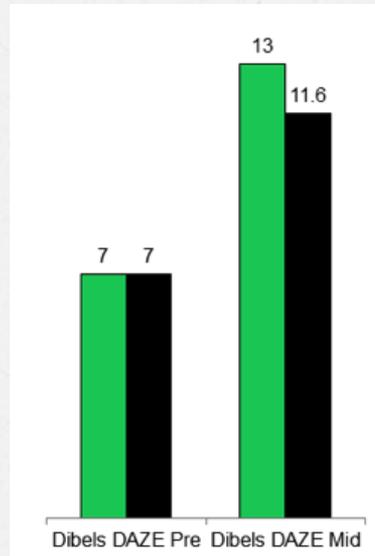




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2016 Independent Evaluation states that “RBBB has notable effects on participants’ reading skills, significantly strong effects on their general perception as a reader and, most importantly, significant improvement in reading according to Dibels, DAZE and AimsWeb testing”



Comparison Data Fall, 2015

Read Better Be Better participants and non-participants





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Benefits of the RBBB Service-Learning Model

- Proven impact on 3rd grade reading – addressing a community need
- Unique bond between older and younger children
- Need for high quality OST programming for middle school-age children
- Cost-effective
- Unique approach to family engagement



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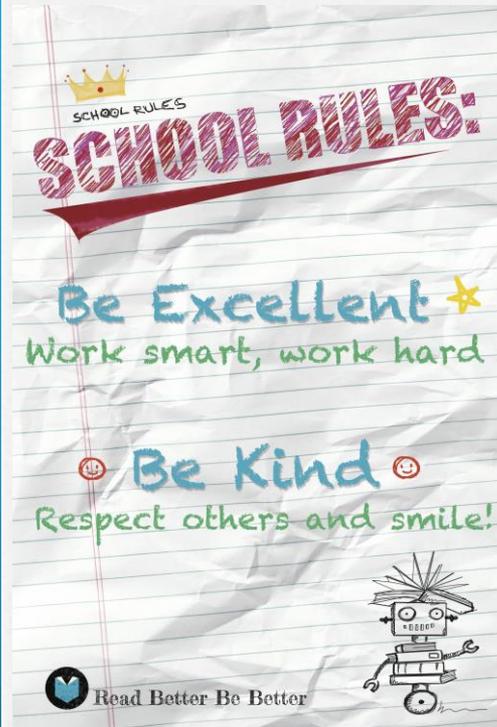
What you can do



- Incorporate older students into your afterschool programming
- Build service-learning partnerships with local universities and community colleges
- Find programs like Read Better Be Better and volunteer!



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