



Community Workshop Teacher, Summer 2026 Job Description

BASIC FUNCTION

The Community Workshop Teacher is responsible for teaching engaging group early literacy classes for diverse audiences of caregivers of early elementary students this summer, 2026. Teacher candidates should be located within 30 minutes of the Little Rock metro area in order to apply.

AR Kids Read will deliver workshops equipping caregivers with practical, low- or no-cost literacy strategies. Each session will introduce science of reading-aligned language, provide guidance on Arkansas's ATLAS assessment and the state's new third-grade promotion requirements under the LEARNS Act. Our goal is to help caregivers of early elementary students feel confident engaging with their teachers, understanding state expectations, and taking action outside of school. The program sites will be across Arkansas with a focus on the Central and Southeast regions.

REPORTING RELATIONSHIP

The Community Workshop teacher will report to the Program Director.

PRIMARY DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE

- Attend and participate in orientation, meetings, and debriefing sessions,
- Work collaboratively with AKR staff to create and sustain a cheerful, respectful and supportive environment,
- Teach workshops for caregivers of students working on 1st-3rd grade reading levels,
- Track participant attendance and session evaluations,
- Customize or personalize workshop presentations to meet specific session needs and audience interest,
- Support needs of site hosts,
- Share dynamic presentations that encourage and inspire at-home practice and reading time,

QUALIFICATIONS

- A current Arkansas teaching license,
- Demonstrated experience in early literacy education and the science of reading,
- Exceptional presentation and public speaking skills
- Ability to take initiative, employ good judgment, and manage projects from beginning to end,
- Be available on average 10-15 hours per week for 8 weeks plus additional hours for training, onboarding, and debriefing,
- Must pass and submit to background checks, including child maltreatment,
- AR Kids Read reserves the right to require employees to undergo drug testing under any circumstances deemed necessary.
- Access to a laptop for delivering presentations at sites
- Access to reliable transportation and live within 30 minutes of the Little Rock metro area.

BENEFITS

- A fun, impactful summer employment opportunity,
- Résumé-building experience in program management and aspects of community relations,
- Opportunity to learn about the work of nonprofits and their impact on communities, and
- Opportunity to build your network.

COMPENSATION: This position is a part-time, position over the summer, 2026. Starting pay ranges from \$25- \$27/hour commensurate with skills and experience.

Dates: A Community Workshop Summer Calendar will be prepared to follow.

TO APPLY:

Submit your resumé, cover letter, and two references to the AKR Program Team at mbarger@arkidsread.org. In the subject line, reference Community Workshop Teacher.

Learn more about our program by visiting www.arkidsread.org.