

TUTORS FOR KIDS, INC

Celebrating 16 years of Tutoring Children



Tutors for Kids, Inc. is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit community-based organization of volunteers who support the local educational process through direct classroom tutoring and other activities that enhance the educational environment, leading to scholastic advancement.

Our Mission: Tutors for Kids, Inc. is a nonprofit organization dedicated to strengthening education in our communities by providing trained volunteer tutors to support students in Title 1 public schools. We partner with teachers and schools to improve learning, build skills, and inspire lifelong achievement.

JANUARY 2026 NEWSLETTER



LOOKING FORWARD to 2026

Happy New Year from Tutors for Kids! As we turn the calendar and enter the second half of the school year, we pause with gratitude for all that has already been accomplished and look ahead with optimism.

Thanks to our tutors, partners, and supporters, students are continuing to grow academically and personally. Together, we look forward to finishing the year strong and continuing our mission of helping children succeed.



WE HAVE A NEW WEBSITE

Over the past few months, Tutors for Kids team has been giving our website a new look. It is modern, up to date, and easy to use. Go have a look at it:

Tutors4kids.org

CHANGES IN DISTRIBUTION OF NEWSLETTER

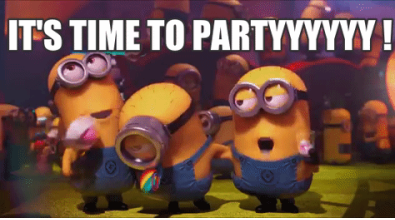
Beginning in January 2026, our newsletter will be distributed on a quarterly basis. The next issue will be released in April 2026. The newsletter schedule for the remainder of 2026 will be:

January • April • August • November



WE'RE HAVING A PARTY—COME CELEBRATE WITH US!

Our next tutor meeting will be held on **Wednesday, March 11, 2026, from 3:00–5:00 p.m. at the Colony Cottage Recreation Center, 510 Colony Blvd, The Villages, FL 32162.**



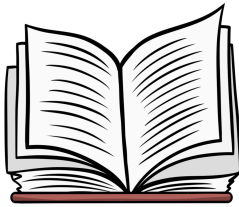
We will be celebrating Tutors for Kids' 16 years of existence and recognizing all of our wonderful tutors for their dedication and commitment to T4K. Food and drinks will be provided!

Please mark your calendars now—you won't want to miss the fun! March 11,

2026 from 3-5pm

ATTENTION STC'S FROM ALL SCHOOLS -

Because we are having a party for our March 11 meeting, we need a head count of how many tutors are going to attend. Could you email your tutors in late February and inquire who is coming to the party? Then email the results to colleen.vaneps@tutors4kids.org before March 4, 2026



WILDWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BOOK ROOM

The Wildwood Elementary book room will be open from 9 to 12 on **January 26, 27, 28** for any tutor who wants to pick up bilingual books and ABC books.

Sandy has also bought some little phonics booklets, aka decodable books. "Pat Had a Hat", "A Bad Fit", and some others. If you can't make those 3 dates, email her at KLynchFORE@aol.com, and she will arrange another date.
Sandy Lynch, School Book Coordinator for T4K

FOR SUMTER COUNTY VOLUNTEERS ONLY

SUMTER COUNTY ONLY - Volunteer Program Updates – Effective January 1, 2026
(copied from Sumter county schools website)

Volunteers are an important part of our schools and community. Our goal is to provide a safe, high-quality volunteer program that supports students and staff. **Remember, do not be put in a situation where you are alone with a student.**

For SUMTER COUNTY VOLUNTEERS only - ALL LEVEL ONE volunteers will go through a JDP background check. (All Level ONE applications submitted will include a **fee of \$16**, which covers background check). If approved your application will be valid for 3 years. Level one volunteers include chaperones, and **classroom volunteers. Level one volunteers must be supervised by school staff at all times.**

Current volunteers will be allowed to volunteer for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year and will expire at the end of the school year. Beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, volunteers will need to renew their applications and go through the JDP background check. Volunteers approved after January 1, 2026 will be valid for 3 years.

Volunteer Classifications - Sumter County Schools

Level 1 Volunteers

These volunteers have completed a basic background screening and work under the supervision of school staff such as assisting with classroom activities and reading groups.



TUTORS FOR KIDS IS LOOKING FOR RECRUITING PARTNERS!!

Tutors for Kids needs your help! We're seeking contacts at places of worship, civic organizations, and community clubs who may want to support our mission to help students succeed.

No recruiting. No presenting. No pressure.

Just share a contact, and a TFK spokesperson will take it from there, handling all outreach and meetings.

Send contacts to Secretary@Tutors4Kids.org

Together, we can open more doors for kids who need our support!

NEEDED - HELP STUDENTS SHINE

Do you know someone who would enjoy making a difference in a child's life? Please encourage them to visit our website. We are looking for **both tutors and behind-the-scenes volunteers**.

1. Tutor Form - Scroll down on the homepage for more information on becoming a tutor. www.tutors4kids.org
2. If interested, select Tutoring positions [Tutoring positions](#) and click on join our tutor team to complete the online **tutor application form**.
3. If interested in a **non-tutoring position** such as Behind-the-scenes - Administration, Community, and Community Outreach, click on [Non- tutoring positions](#) on the website homepage and click to fill out the application.

IS SOMETHING HAPPENING AT YOUR SCHOOL TO SHARE IN THE NEWSLETTER??

If there is something special happening at your school that would be of interest to the rest of the tutors, please email the article to news@tutor4kids.org so it can included in the newsletter. This can be anything from a special party to event recognition of a student's or tutor's success stories.



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