

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.

APRIL 2026 NEWSLETTER



“Just as flowers bloom in April, we are seeing our students grow in confidence and ability thanks to your dedication...”

CAN YOU BELIEVE THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR IS COMING TO A CLOSE?

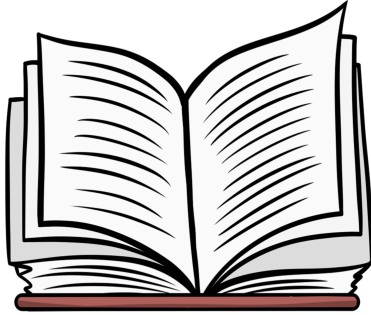
As we move into the last months of the school year, we want to take a moment to **thank each of you for your dedication to Tutors for Kids**. Your commitment, patience, and generosity of time are making a lasting difference in the lives of the students you serve. Week after week, you show up with encouragement, kindness, and a willingness to invest in each child's success. Because of you, students are not only improving in reading and math, but also growing in confidence, hope, and belief in themselves. Your impact reaches far beyond each tutoring session—you are helping shape futures. We are deeply grateful for all that you do and for the heart you bring to this mission. Thank you for being such an important part of the Tutors for Kids family.

End of the year reminder:

1. Finish strong - continuing encouraging your students, these last few weeks matter
2. Return Materials to teacher
3. Let your STC know if you are returning for the next school year and if you want the same teacher
4. Get the **end of the year books** for your class and distribute them before end of the school year.

FOR SUMTER COUNTY TUTORS ONLY

ALL tutors that wish to tutor this fall will have to be **re-certified through Sumter Public Schools** (unless you were approved after January 1, 2026). Even if your current certification does not expire this summer, you must register.. The County now has a new process and you will also be required to pay for your level 1 background check. (\$16.00) You may apply as a Sumter County Volunteer beginning July 1, 2026. Go to sumter.k12.fl.us in July.



WILDWOOD BOOK ROOM SCHEDULE

The Wildwood book room for Tutors for Kids will be open 9 - 12 the week of April 20. Building 1, Room 11. All tutors who want books for the end of the semester should pick up their books. For classes who have more than one tutor, only one tutor gets books.

Also available are materials for the tutors to keep for use with all their children; workbooks to assist those who need help with letters and printing and (new this year), decodeable (phonics) books for tutors to help children with vowel sounds. The workbooks are on the top shelf of the Kindergarten books. Decodeable books are located on the same table as the bilingual books.

If this week is not convenient for a class, contact Sandy Lynch, KLynchFORE@aol.com to arrange another time.

DISTRIBUTE BOOKS TO STUDENTS BEFORE THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

This is the time of the year to distribute books to yours students. If there is more than 1 tutor, just one set of books will be distributed. Your SBC (school book coordinator) will let you know when to pick up the books. Each school has a different procedure for getting the books so check with your SBC. All students in the classroom will receive a book. Many tutors and teachers turn this event into a party. The students really feel special when they get their books.



WE HAVE A NEW WEBSITE

Over the past few months, the Tutors for Kids team has been giving our website a fresh new look. It is modern, up-to-date, and easy to use. Take a moment to check it out!

Tutors4kids.org

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 be included in the newsletter. This can be anything from a special party to event recognition of a student's or tutor's success stories.

The END OF THE YEAR PARTY WAS A SUCCESS

On March 11, 2026, we held our last tutoring meeting for the 2025-2026 school year at Colony Cottage Recreation Center. Frank Russo, co-ordinator of Tutors for Kids spoke about the history of Tutors for Kids. Joanne Cooper and Josie Morello were recognized for their contributions to Tutors for Kids. Also, Rhonda Casey is stepping down as Wildwood Elementary STC after many years of dedicated service. Thank you Rhonda.

Chuck Ramberg recognizing Joanne Cooper for her service and dedication to Tutors for Kids.



Frank Russo discussing the history of Tutors for Kids



52 in attendance



Thank you Josie Morello for your dedication and service with Tutors for Kids.



Good food and a good time had by all. Thank you Colleen Vaneps, Josie Morello, and Bev Rovelli for planning and organizing the event.



Wildwood Intermediate Science Night

On February 23, 2026 Tutors for Kids at Wildwood Elementary and Fruitland Park Elementary gave away 109 books at the Wildwood Intermediate Science Night.
Way to go Tutors for Kids!





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