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This is the 3rd year that my partner and I have worked with my student. She is so excited and bright and such a pleasure to see every week. Her reading has come a long way and she is more confident and expressive now. She's a joy.

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— Power Lunch Volunteer, Quincy School



POWER LUNCH

Power Lunch sparks enthusiasm for reading in kindergarten through third graders by matching students with volunteer reading mentors from participating corporations in the Boston area.

Each reading mentor serves as a role model, providing guidance in school and career choices while encouraging an enthusiasm for books and reading. During their weekly meetings, reading mentors and their students read aloud, play word games, talk about common interests and hobbies and, of course, have fun!

Power Lunch mentors are asked to commit either one hour per week during a student's lunch break for the duration of the school year or to visit their student every other weeks by alternating with a co-worker. Ideally, students will work with the same mentor(s) over three to four years.

Boston Partners in Education takes care of all management aspects of the program and makes the involvement of our corporate partners stress-free.

Prior to volunteering, mentors receive an orientation at their office that provides them information about reading techniques, the principles of effective mentoring, and the Boston Public Schools.

Corporate partners contribute annually at one of a variety of partnership levels. These contributions offset the costs of the program. Corporations receive individualized benefits based on their level of sponsorship.

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