

“ My student this past year told me Wednesday is her favorite day of every week because it's "Power Lunch day." Knowing how much that time means to her, and all of the students, is what keeps me going back. ”

-- Dee Douglas, Power Lunch volunteer



POWER LUNCH

Power Lunch sparks enthusiasm for reading in first 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 bi-weekly by alternating with a co-worker. Ideally, students will work with the same mentor(s) over three 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 that provides them information about reading techniques, the principles of effective mentoring, and the Boston Public Schools.

Corporate partners provide an annual donation of \$275 per volunteer to help offset the costs of the program.

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