

# THE TEAMREAD READER



## We Kicked off with a Bang!

It's August 31! And we've held five Kickoffs / Trainings with record attendance, enthusiasm and excitement for this year's classes of brand new second graders! With over **330+ attendees**, we welcomed new coaches, re-engaged returning coaches and learned about the latest greatest tips and procedures for our students!



New School Added

**Rose Hill**

Total # of Schools

**6**

# of Newly Trained Coaches

**90+**



# of Total coaches Needed

**350+**

*Special Thanks to these fine folks for hosting our Fall Kickoffs*

**Lee Ann Wyatt** and First Baptist Jackson

**Krista Holland** and West Jackson Baptist

**Melissa Dennison** and TN Dept. of Health

**People of Hope Church**

**Fellowship Bible Church**

We still need more coaches for Rose Hill...



... so keep spreading the word, please!

## We Love it ...

**Dr. Eric Jones** (Superintendent), **Dr. Jared Myracle** (Chief Academic Officer) and **Mrs. Mary Myers** (Leader of Early Foundations) from our school district office have instituted a uniform curriculum for grades K - 2 that will impact how we coach our students. The curriculum is a daily uninterrupted two-hour intensive that emphasizes reading and comprehension skills. We, at ARISE2Read/TEAMRead Jackson/Madison County, heartily and enthusiastically support this initiative. Even though most of our school times were altered, our coaches have been amazingly flexible! We also will join the district in emphasizing a monthly theme that students will be exposed to in all of their classes. So, Coaches, hone up on your fairy tales, insects and the human body, among others!

## We Love Our Churches ...

for supporting us these last three+ years with people, resources and encouragement. We have seen an idea borrowed from Memphis grow from one school to now six elementary schools in Jackson. Over **35 churches** have supplied coaches, resources and prayed to make it happen! We would love it if your church could include us in your annual missions budget. We would appreciate being able to count on regular support, as our funding fluctuates. (BTW: a copy of our financials is available if you so desire).

As we enter our fourth full year in the schools, we have always believed it does not matter what individual church we are from, but rather, that we are *all* the body of Christ working together for a common cause — ***Changing our Community One Word at a time*** — by seeing and loving children the way Jesus does. It is a beautiful sight to see His Body in motion!

## While you were vacationing...

we have been collecting books, more books, even more books, to distribute to our families in our community for **FREE!** This is a new endeavor of ARISE2Read as we are sticking our toes into the shallow end to see if we can help end the drought of books in our students' homes.

Our board member, **Mayor Jimmy Harris**, was re-elected as county mayor. **Russell Cook** was elected to our board as our financial officer, tasked with 'keeping James out of jail.'

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We enthusiastically  
support this initiative !

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