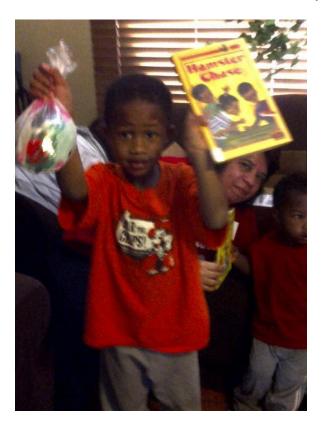


Become A Children's Literacy Coach

Wonderfully Made Foundation's vision is that all children in the Oklahoma City Metropolitan area will read at or above grade level by the end of third grade. Additionally, each child is encouraged to walk in their OWN uniqueness and value! It only takes <u>one hour per week</u> to be a volunteer Reading Coach, and the benefits to students and our community are tremendous!



What is a Children's Literacy Coach (CLC)?

CLC work with students in Pre-K through 3rd grade who are reading below grade level. Their job is to make reading fun so students become independent readers who are excited about what they can learn!

Children's Literacy Coach supports elementary schools and students by:

- Emphasizing reading as a positive experience in a non-judgmental and encouraging environment.
- Increasing confidence, vocabulary, and reading comprehension in students.
- Providing FREE books and a backpack for students to encourage independent reading and safe-keeping.

Working professionals can also volunteer as Children's Literacy Coaches, utilizing their lunch hours or participating in our <u>Pathway To Success Education Nights</u> which provide literacy coaching for students at the Wonderfully Made Homeless Homes. Education Nights are on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. while their parents attend classes that promote empowerment, accountability, and sustainability.

How do I become a Children's Literacy Coach?

To become a Children's Literacy Coach, attendance is required at a 2-hour certificate earning introductory training workshop.

At the training, you will learn

- Literacy and its significance
- Best practices when working with children
- Services and programs of the Wonderfully Made Foundation
- Strategies in keeping students engaged and interested
- Techniques that help build their vocabulary, comprehension, and confidence

Additionally, each coach should walk away from this training able to show each child they connect with that they are valued and that they are fearfully and WONDERFULLY MADE.

Most trainings are taught by Lisa Miller-Baldwin, Founder/Executive Director Wonderfully Made Foundation and Ceanti Aldridge, Executive Assistant Wonderfully Made Foundation. During the training, you will complete paperwork for an OSBI background check as well.

What happens after the training?

You will be contacted by our office to discuss the date to begin work in schools. At this time our outreach work is quarterly starting February and continuing in May, September, and December. Once our volunteer pool increases we will begin work monthly encouraging and motivating children to read.