



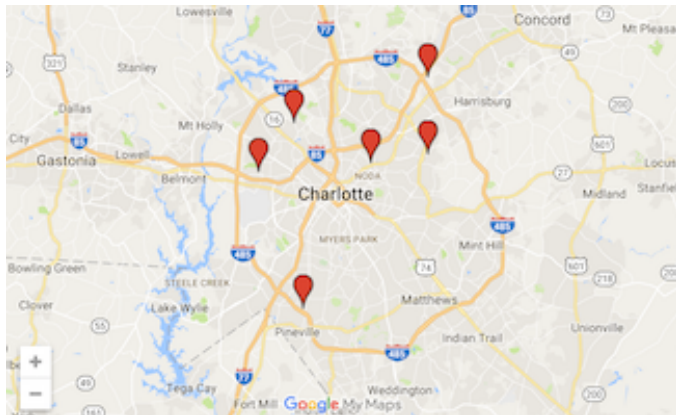
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## Off to a great start

The Reading Partners Charlotte team is excited to launch into the 2017-18 school year. This year, we will expand to serve 300 students and will partner with the following Title I elementary schools:



**Joseph W. Grier Academy**

**Oakdale Elementary School**

**Sterling Elementary School**

**Stoney Creek Elementary School**

**Sugar Creek Charter School**

**Tuckaseegee Elementary School**

Faculty and staff at our school sites have begun referring students to our program and enrollment is well underway. Tutoring sessions will start the week of September 25. We are extremely delighted that 87 tutors from last year have signed on to return for another year! Orientation sessions for new volunteers have also started, as we work toward our goal of 400 tutors for the year. Please sign up online if you're interested in becoming a volunteer reading partner.

We extend a heartfelt thanks to our school and district partners, donors, volunteers,

and other community supporters who make our work possible for Charlotte's most vulnerable children. When students gain the fundamental reading skills they need to succeed, their futures become brighter than ever. We look forward to working together to make this an awesome year!

**SIGN UP**

## **Children helping children**

Two South Charlotte families have joined forces to instill a spirit of philanthropy and community service in their children. Each year, the Kelley and Parrish families work together to complete a summer service project to raise awareness about important community needs and make a positive impact.

This year, Reading Partners is honored to be the beneficiary of their goodwill. The service-minded youngsters of the families hosted a lemonade stand and book drive to raise funds and books to donate to Reading Partners and our students. You would not believe how many books these kids collected!

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