



## DO YOU LOVE READING TO CHILDREN?

### Who we are

The Reading Bear is a citywide early literacy initiative, focused on educating the heart-mind. The initiative is led by a group of dedicated volunteers and supported by high school reading buddies as well as medical-student ambassadors. Our organization consists of parents, principals, teachers, advocates, and academics collaborating across communities to create healthier schools for all of Vancouver's youth. One of our key objectives is to transfer early literacy into the home, and we aim to accomplish this by providing each child with a special teddy bear – The Reading Bear. The bear is introduced as a reading partner with whom the children can practice their reading at home. The children also receive books to take home.

### Join us!

We're looking to add volunteers to our team. If you love to read and enjoy working with children, we think you'll be a great fit.

For more information, please contact us at [info@thereadingbear.ca](mailto:info@thereadingbear.ca).