

Reading Recovery® and the Missouri Statewide Early Literacy Intervention Program

Reading Recovery® Overview:

Reading Recovery® (RR) began in the United States in 1984 from the work of Marie Clay in New Zealand. It is a highly effective short-term intervention of one-to-one instruction for the lowest achieving first grade students in reading and writing development. RR teachers work for a maximum of 20 weeks with four individual students and use the rest of their day for intervention groups (approximately 20 additional students). It is considered a Tier III intervention with strong scientifically-based reading research (What Works Clearinghouse 2008). This is recognized as the most effective response to intervention (RTI) model and usage currently available. It is most successful when fully implemented (available to all first graders) and used with strong, collaborative classroom teaching.

Missouri Statewide Early Literacy Intervention Program/Reading Recovery® Overview:

RR started in the state in 1991. Southeast Missouri State University was one of the two sites that year. In 1997 the Missouri Legislature provided bipartisan support to establish the Missouri Statewide Early Literacy Intervention Program (MSELIP) housed at Southeast Missouri State University. MSELIP has funded training for RR Teacher Leaders, RR Teachers and classroom teachers across the state interested in intensive reading interventions. MSELIP is currently being led by a Steering Committee of state literacy leaders and continues to serve as the coordinator of RR regulations, data and services across the state in conjunction with the University of Arkansas in Little Rock and Southeast Missouri State University. There are currently 244 schools in 107 school districts across the state involved with Reading Recovery®. Since the start of MSELIP/RR over 172,000 Missouri children have had a successful experience with early literacy intervention.

Opportunities for the Future in Missouri School Districts:

*The University of Arkansas at Little Rock (UALR) is the Missouri training partner for the Reading Recovery® network. They have secured an i-3 grant from the U.S. Department of Education. This grant is open to Missouri school districts for the purpose of training new RR teachers and/or RR Teacher Leaders. It will fund tuition and most training materials.

*Contained in the FY2012 state budget, which has been approved by the General Assembly and awaits signature by the Governor, is some funding for MSELIP through Southeast Missouri State University. This will cover Southeast's tuition and most other training costs needed to educate new Reading Recovery® teachers and classroom teachers.

*Southeast Missouri State University has agreed to provide matching additional funding to educate new Reading Recovery® teachers and classroom teachers, and required professional development training for Teacher Leaders.

For more information:

Call one of the Teacher Leaders listed below.

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