



The mission of the Kentucky Reading Project is to increase student achievement and family engagement in literacy by empowering P-5 teachers to design and implement comprehensive, research-based instruction driven by the on-going assessment of diverse learners' needs.

Application for the 2020-2021 Kentucky Reading Project (KRP)

(One application should be completed for each individual applicant)

*(If you received an RTA grant and have teachers who will be participating in the KRP4RTA, you **DO NOT** need to fill out this application. More information for these teachers will be forthcoming)*

The majority of this application may be completed online for your convenience. After completing the individual applicant information fields, you may save and print a copy to be mailed to the KRP Director of your first university site choice (address information on last page) with the following:

- *Personal Statement*
- *CSIP (if applicable)*
- *Principal's Recommendation*

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) About the Kentucky Reading Project

Q: What is the Kentucky Reading Project (KRP)?

A: KRP is a professional development initiative for Kentucky teachers focused on research-based reading instruction. It is sponsored by the Collaborative Center for Literacy Development (CCLD) and is a yearlong graduate-level reading course. **There is no cost to the teacher, school, or district.**

Q: How does KRP address the mandates of Senate Bill 1 (2009)?

A: KRP incorporates the Kentucky Academic Standards in the core curriculum of the course.

Q: When does it take place?

A: KRP consists of a summer institute and follow-up days during the school year, scheduled after school or on a Saturday.

Q: Where does it take place?

A: KRP is held at each of the eight state universities. Additional sites may be added in regions where no state university exists.

Q: What grade level does KRP target?

A: KRP targets teachers in grades K-5.

Q: Can I receive graduate credit?

A: Teachers can receive three hours of graduate credit upon completion of the course.

Q: Who teaches the course?

A: A member of the literacy faculty at each of the state universities serves as the course instructor. The National Center for Families Learning also provides one day of training in family engagement.

Q: Will I receive a stipend?

A: Each teacher who completes KRP receives a stipend upon completion of the course in May 2021.

Q: How do I apply?

A: Teachers must fill out an application, which is available online at www.kentuckyliteracy.org. In addition to the application, teachers must secure the recommendation of their principal. They may also be interviewed by the KRP director at the site where they are applying.

Q: How many applicants are selected at each site?

A: Up to 20 teachers are accepted at each university KRP site.

Q: When will I be notified if I am selected for KRP?

A: Teachers will be contacted by letter or email in late March or early April if they have been selected for KRP.

Q: Do I receive books and materials for the course?

A: Teachers will receive educational books and resources before the class begins.

Q: When do I complete the course?

A: Teachers will complete the course at the end of the spring semester the year after they have attended the summer institute.

Q: What are the course requirements?

A: Teachers will complete a Literacy Action Plan (LAP) that they will implement in their classroom during the school year. They will also develop a poster or roundtable session describing the implementation of the LAP to be presented at a statewide Share Fair in spring 2020. As well, teachers will submit a reflection paper about KRP explaining changes that have occurred in their instructional practices.

Q: Will the instructors visit my classroom?

A: The KRP directors will make a coaching visit during the year to discuss the implementation of the LAP and provide support to the teacher in a variety of ways.

Q: Will I have the opportunity to network with other teachers during the year?

A: Teachers will network with other teachers from across the state at the Share Fair. They also can communicate with other teachers via listservs.

Q: Will I have access to literacy resources?

A: In addition to all the materials and books that teachers receive during KRP; many other resources are available on the CCLD website: www.kentuckyliteracy.org.

To complete the application:

- 1) Each applicant will write a personal statement (one to three pages) that includes the following:
 - Why you want to participate in KRP
 - Your professional development/graduate experiences related to literacy over the past three years
 - A brief statement about professional books you have recently read
 - How you involve the families of your students in literacy
 - Any other useful information that would qualify you as a candidate for KRP

- 2) Ask your principal to complete the enclosed “Principal’s Recommendation for KRP 2020-2021” with a reminder that this form is due March 31, 2020 and should be sent to the KRP director at your first choice site.

- 3) If your school’s Comprehensive School Improvement Plan addresses literacy, please include a copy of these specific pages with your application.

You may apply to two KRP sites. Please write the number “1” on the space beside your **first choice** and the number “2” beside your **second choice**. The completed application is to be mailed to your **first choice site only**. All selected participants will receive their first choice unless that site is filled. If your first choice site is filled, you will be given your second choice. If both of your selected choices are filled, you will be given the opportunity to interview at alternate sites if openings still exist at these sites. Applications will be dated as they are received.

_____ Eastern Kentucky University
_____ Kentucky State University
_____ Morehead State University
_____ Murray State University

_____ Northern Kentucky University
_____ University of Kentucky
_____ University of Louisville
_____ Western Kentucky University

After March 31, 2020, a KRP director will notify applicants relative to the outcome of their applications. Thank you for your interest in the Kentucky Reading Project. We look forward to receiving your application.

Return the completed application, personal statement, principal’s recommendation, and copy of the Comprehensive School Improvement Plan pages (if applicable) to the KRP director at the university site of your first choice (see last page of application for dates of KRPs, directors, and contact information). Applications are due by March 31, 2020.

THIS APPLICATION FORM MAY BE DUPLICATED



**Application for the 2020-2021
Kentucky Reading Project (KRP)**

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Name _____

Grade Level/s _____ Years of Teaching Experience _____

Home Address _____

Street

City

State

Zip

Home Phone _____ Alternate Number _____

E-mail Address (school) _____ (home) _____

Names of other KRP Team Members (if applicable) _____

School _____ District _____

School Address _____

Street

City

State

Zip

School Telephone _____ Fax _____

Name of Principal _____

List any grants related to literacy that have been awarded to your school within the past three years:

Name of Grant/s _____ Date Awarded _____

Please check if you intend to take this course for graduate credit.

I agree to actively participate in the Kentucky Reading Project and to fulfill the expectations of the project as described in the KRP handbook. This agreement includes a commitment to attend all sessions of the summer institute and the follow-up sessions, including the Share Fair.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

**Principal's Recommendation for the
2020-2021 Kentucky Reading Project**

(One form should be completed for each individual applicant.)

Name of Applicant: _____

The Kentucky Reading Project is a highly selective program. Up to 20 teachers will be selected to participate at each site. Applicants should be dedicated teachers who are committed to improving student achievement in literacy.

Statement of Assurance

I will actively support and work with our teacher or teacher team as the Literacy Action Plan is implemented to improve student achievement. I will honor the teacher's commitment to attend the summer institute, as well as the follow-up sessions during the school year.

Principal's Signature _____

School _____ Date _____

I. Please summarize your knowledge of the applicant's commitment and expertise in teaching and specifically, the teaching of literacy.

II. To what extent can you recommend this applicant as an instructional leader who works well as an active member of the learning community?
(attach additional pages if necessary)

1.

2.

3.

EMAIL, MAIL OR FAX APPLICATION TO YOUR **FIRST CHOICE SITE ONLY**

Kentucky Reading Project 2020-2021
Summer Institute Dates, Locations, and Contact Information

<p>ATTN: Dr. Stacey Korson Eastern Kentucky University 215 Combs Bldg, 521 Lancaster Ave. Richmond, KY 40475 Phone: 859-622-8409 Email: Stacey.Korson@eku.edu Fax: 859-622-2004 Summer Institute: June 1-5 and June 8-12 Location: EKU library</p>	<p>ATTN: Dr. Lynne Smith Northern Kentucky University MEP 274, College of Education Highland Heights, KY 41099 Phone: 859-572-5590 Email: smithly@nku.edu Fax: 859-572-6096 Summer Institute: June 15-19 and June 22-26 Location: Ockerman Elementary, Florence</p>
<p>ATTN: Dr. Tiffany Wheeler Kentucky State University</p> <p>Summer Institute: There will not be a KRP at KSU for 2020-2021</p>	<p>ATTN: Dr. Mary Shake University of Kentucky 315 Dickey Hall Lexington, KY 40506 Phone: 859-257-5676 Email: mcshak1@uky.edu Fax: 859-257-1602 Summer Institute: June 8-12 and June 15-19 Location: TBD, Lexington</p>
<p>ATTN: Dr. Becky Roach Morehead State University 302 Ginger Hall Morehead, KY 40351 Phone: 606-359-2941 Email: r.roach@moreheadstate.edu Fax: 606-783-5044 Summer Institute: July 14-17 and July 20-22 Location: Morehead State campus</p>	<p>ATTN: Dr. Jane Andris University of Louisville Submit application to: Dr. Jane Andris Email: jane.andris@louisville.edu Fax: 502-852-2408 Summer Institute: June 15-19 and June 22-26 Location: U of L campus</p>
<p>ATTN: Dr. Christina Grant Murray State University 3108 Alexander Hall Murray, KY 42071 Phone: 270-809-3115 Email: cgrant4@murraystate.edu Fax: 270-809-3799 Summer Institute: June 15-19 and June 22-26 Location: Alexander Hall, Murray State campus</p>	<p>ATTN: Dr. Nancy Hulan Western Kentucky University 1083A Gary Ransdell Hall Bowling Green, KY 42101 Phone: 270-745-4324 Email: nancy.hulan@wku.edu Fax: 270-745-6322 Summer Institute: June 8-12 and June 15-19 Location: TBD</p>

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