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THE KEMPER FOUNDATION OPENS SPRING 2025 READ CONMIGO GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR BILINGUAL EDUCATORS IN DALLAS, LOS ANGELES AND MIAMI

CHICAGO, October 10, 2024 — [The Kemper Foundation](http://TheKemperFoundation.org), the philanthropic partner of [Kemper Corporation](http://KemperCorporation.com) (NYSE: KMPR), announced that applications for the [Read Conmigo](http://ReadConmigo.org) bilingual educator grant are now open for the spring 2025 grant cycle. This program is dedicated to promoting bilingual literacy within Hispanic and Latino communities, enabling K-5 educators to enhance their classrooms with enriching resources, tools and professional development opportunities that inspire engaging learning experiences for all students.

Read Conmigo grants are open to eligible teachers in the following counties: Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura (California); Broward and Miami-Dade (Florida); and Dallas (Texas). The Foundation awards up to 100 grants of \$3,000 each to teachers of dual language (Spanish English) classrooms in two grant cycles annually.

“Since its launch in 2022, the Read Conmigo program has impacted over 7,500 students through grants awarded to 246 dedicated educators,” said Barbara Ciesemier, president of The Kemper Foundation. “We are proud to support educators in their vital role of promoting bilingual literacy and enriching their classrooms, and to see the meaningful changes this initiative brings to both students and their communities. We are committed to continuing our support for teachers who strive to make a lasting difference.”

“Bilingual classrooms have unique needs compared to monolingual classrooms,” said Petra Ortega-Villarreal, a Read Conmigo grant recipient from El Sol Science and Arts Academy in Santa Ana, California. “Students developing proficiency in two languages require targeted support to ensure academic success and language proficiency. The grant will help me support these needs by allowing students to engage directly with my teaching, enhancing their learning experience and supporting their academic growth.”

The application deadline for spring 2025 grants is November 10, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. local time. Additional information, including eligibility requirements, grant usage guidelines, FAQs and the grant application, is posted on [The Kemper Foundation website](http://TheKemperFoundation.org). Applications will be reviewed by a selection committee from The Kemper Foundation and Read Conmigo program partners. Grant funds will be awarded in early 2025 for this grant cycle. To learn more about The Kemper Foundation’s Read Conmigo grant program, visit [The Kemper Foundation website](http://TheKemperFoundation.org).

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