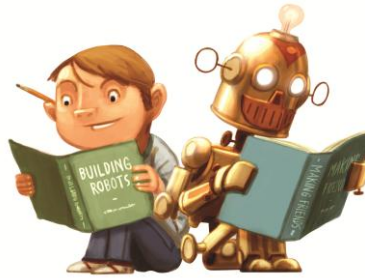


## Information for Parents of Little Buddies



### What is Reading Buddies?

Reading Buddies is a free program that pairs teen volunteers to work with 2 younger kids once a week for an hour during the 2014 Summer Reading Program at the Abilene Public Library.

Reading Buddies IS NOT a tutoring service for your child. Big Reading Buddies are not trained or expected to correct learning problems or to teach children to read.

### Who are the Big Reading Buddies?

Big Buddies are students at least 13 years old who have volunteered to be Reading Buddies. They are teens who love reading, enjoy working with younger children, and want to give back to their community. They receive training before the program begins.

### What will the Buddies do?

- Your child and his/her Buddies will read 2 or 3 chapters per session.
- They will work together on science experiments.
- They will play games, do craft projects, or other activities.
- They will be invited to attend the Reading Buddies Celebration. TBA

### Where and When will the Buddies meet together?

The Buddies will meet together in the Children and Teen Services area of the Abilene Public Library during 5 weeks of the Summer Reading Program, May 27 through June 27. We will set a time each week that will work for your Buddy.

We ask that you and your child make a commitment to attend ALL of the scheduled meetings. If you must miss a session because of illness or a schedule conflict, please notify Reading Buddies coordinator as far in advance as possible.

There are only 20 slots available. If you know that you will miss more than one session, please let another child have the slot.

### Questions?

Please call the Reading Buddy Coordinator, Sheryl Davidson, at 785-263-1303