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The Kemper Foundation Expands Read Conmigo Grant Program to Support School-Wide Dual-Language Education Initiatives

CHICAGO, December 11, 2024 — [The Kemper Foundation](http://TheKemperFoundation.org) announced today the expansion of its [Read Conmigo Grant Program](#) to include school-wide grants for Title I elementary schools. Building on the success of its educator-focused grants, the new Read Conmigo School Impact Grants aim to further empower schools to advance dual-language education for bilingual students in under-resourced communities. The Foundation will provide up to 22 grants of \$10,000 each to schools across Greater Los Angeles, Dallas and McAllen, TX, and Miami, supporting dual-language programs for Hispanic and Latino students.

[The Read Conmigo School Impact Grants](#) will fund a range of bilingual school-wide initiatives, including library enhancements, educational technology, instructional support, and community engagement initiatives. The new grants provide flexibility to enable schools to innovate and adapt solutions tailored to their unique needs and challenges, ultimately promoting long-term educational success.

"We're excited to expand the Read Conmigo program to support schools in their mission to promote dual-language education," said Joseph P. Lacher, Jr., Chairman of The Kemper Foundation Board of Trustees and President and CEO of Kemper Corporation. "Read Conmigo's educator grants have demonstrated the transformative power that quality dual-language education can have on bilingual students' academic success. By broadening our program to support schools, we hope to amplify this impact and create lasting benefits for students, educators, families and communities."

Key Features of the Read Conmigo School Impact Grants:

- **Grant Amount:** Up to \$10,000 per school
- **Eligible Schools:** Title I public and charter elementary schools in the Greater Los Angeles, Dallas and McAllen, TX, and Miami areas
- **Use of Funds:** School-wide dual-language program initiatives, including school-wide resources, technology improvements, professional development for educators, and cultural/community engagement activities
- **Application Process:** Through The Kemper Foundation's grants portal from January 8 to March 9, 2025

The School Impact Grants will build on the success of the [Read Conmigo Educator Grants](#), which have contributed to measurable improvements in student outcomes, including reading comprehension, writing, spelling, vocabulary, phonics, speaking and technology skills. By expanding to entire schools, the Foundation aims to strengthen the connections within the

wider school community and build a lasting legacy of supporting quality, holistic dual-language education.

The Kemper Foundation is one of the few private foundations focused on dual-language education, targeting educators and Title I schools to close the opportunity gaps and equip Hispanic and Latino students with essential skills for success in a globalized world.

For more information, visit [The Kemper Foundation](#).

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About The Kemper Foundation

[The Kemper Foundation](#) is the philanthropic partner of Kemper Corporation and focuses on support for charitable causes and organizations in education, health, and community development. Through our owned programs, key partnerships, financial donations, and Kemper employee volunteerism, we aim to make a meaningful difference in the communities where we live and work.

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