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The Kemper Foundation's Read Conmigo Grant Program Awards Fall 2025 Educator Grants

CHICAGO, September 18, 2025 — [The Kemper Foundation](http://TheKemperFoundation.org), the philanthropic partner of [Kemper Corporation](http://KemperCorporation.com), announced today it has awarded grants to advance dual-language (Spanish-English) education to schoolteachers in the Greater Los Angeles, Dallas and Miami areas. With more than \$1 million awarded since 2022, the [Read Conmigo Grant Program](http://ReadConmigoGrantProgram.org) is one of the few private initiatives focused on supporting dual-language education. The complete list of Fall 2025 Read Conmigo Educator Grant recipients can be found [here](#).

Read Conmigo Educator Grants help to enhance bilingualism and biliteracy, directly impacting elementary Hispanic and Latino students. The Kemper Foundation annually awards up to 100 grants of \$3,000 to public and charter schoolteachers of dual-language classrooms, funding both classroom resources and professional development. Recipients are selected by a panel of Kemper Foundation principals and partners, including the Bilingual/ESL Education Association of the Metroplex (Dallas), the Florida Association for Bilingual Education, the California Association for Bilingual Education, and GPSN.

"The Kemper Foundation is honored to support this outstanding group of Read Conmigo Educator Grant recipients who are committed to enriching the lives of their students through dual-language education," said Barbara Ciesemier, President of The Kemper Foundation. "These teachers are not only shaping stronger academic outcomes, they are helping young people embrace their cultural heritage, expand their opportunities, and thrive in a diverse and interconnected world. We're proud to support them as they inspire the next generation of bilingual leaders."

Read Conmigo Educator Grants have contributed to measurable improvements in student outcomes, including reading comprehension, writing, spelling, vocabulary, phonics, speaking and technology skills. In the most recent academic year, 89% of Educator Grant recipients reported measurable improvement in students' reading comprehension, and 84% observed increased student confidence in biliteracy skills, underscoring the program's positive impact on both academic ability and self-esteem.

Building on the success of the Educator Grants, The Kemper Foundation also launched the Read Conmigo School Impact Grants in late 2024, providing \$10,000 awards in support school- or program-wide dual-language initiatives at Title I elementary schools. Together, these initiatives reinforce the Foundation's commitment to closing opportunity gaps and equipping Hispanic and Latino students with essential skills for success in a globalized world.

About The Kemper Foundation

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