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The Kemper Foundation Opens Read Conmigo Educator Grant
Applications for 2026-2027 Academic Year
Program expands to additional communities

CHICAGO, April 30, 2026 — [The Kemper Foundation](http://TheKemperFoundation.org), the philanthropic partner of [Kemper Corporation](http://KemperCorporation.com), announced that applications for its [Read Conmigo Educator Grants](http://ReadConmigoEducatorGrants.org) are now open for the 2026-27 academic year. These grants seek to advance dual-language (Spanish-English) education for bilingual students by providing educators with classroom resources and professional development that support impactful learning experiences.

The Foundation awards up to 100 grants of \$3,000 each annually to eligible teachers in dual-language (Spanish-English) classrooms. For the fall 2026 cycle, the program has expanded to include teachers in Maricopa County, AZ; Harris County, TX; Hidalgo County, TX; and Cook County, IL, in addition to the Greater Los Angeles, Dallas and Miami areas.

“At its core, Read Conmigo’s educator grants are about equipping teachers with the resources they need to create meaningful learning experiences for bilingual students,” said Barbara Ciesemier, president of The Kemper Foundation. “Since 2022, the program has supported nearly 400 educators and impacted over 10,000 students. We’re pleased to expand into new communities and extend that impact even further.”

Beginning this year, the Read Conmigo Educator Grants have moved to a single annual application cycle for the full academic year. The application deadline for the 2026-2027 academic year is Monday, June 15, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. local time. Additional information, including FAQs, grant usage guidelines, 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 Grant Program partners. To learn more about The Kemper Foundation’s Read Conmigo Grant Program, visit [The Kemper Foundation website](http://TheKemperFoundation.org).

About The Kemper Foundation

[The Kemper Foundation](http://TheKemperFoundation.org) is the philanthropic partner of [Kemper Corporation](http://KemperCorporation.com) (NYSE: KMPR) 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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