

**Job Title:** Senior Reading Buddy Leader

**Work Location: Barrie and Innisfil Elementary Schools and Libraries**

**Purpose of the Position: Provide elementary school students with a non-judgemental reading opportunity and develop a healthy senior-senior and senior-youth community relationship with your own canine companion**

**Responsibilities and Duties:**

* **Lead a 1-hour Reading Buddy Session for up to 3 students per visit**
* **Provide your own transportation and canine companion**
* **Dog will mark the end of the reading session with their paw on the page**
* **Increase communication skills, patience, perseverance, confidence and self-esteem through a positive reading experience for Ready Buddy leader and reader**

**Qualifications:**

* **55 years or older**
* **Canine companion & successful in Canine Good Neighbour Test**
* **Access to own vehicle**
* **Criminal Record Check and Vulnerable Screening**
* **Liability insurance through your home or tenant insurance**

**Commitment Expected:**

* **Twice a week or weekly sessions**
* **Morning shift: 10:30 – 12:30 (variable)**
* **Afternoon shift: 12:30 – 2:30 (variable)**

**Training:**

* Mock Canine Good Neighbour Test
* Reading Buddy Tutorial