

The Indigo Love of Reading Foundation has existed since 2004 to ensure that all Canadian kids have access to books and the opportunity to fall in love with reading. The Literacy Fund Grant is our largest national granting program and it was created to dramatically increase literacy access for kids across the country.



HOW IT WORKS

Every year, schools across Canada apply for this grant to increase access to books for the children and youth they serve. Applications are reviewed and scored until approximately 30 partners are selected based on need and commitment to literacy. Grants are dispersed over a multi-year period. During that time we work together to track impacts, amplify stories of change and ultimately inspire other schools, parents and communities to invest in literacy as well. Other benefits of the partnership include access to professional development opportunities, classroom resources and more!

ELIGIBILITY

To qualify, schools must:

- Receive at least 80% of its funding from the government
- Serve elementary age students
- Exhibit a strong commitment to literacy!

Feel free to email loveofreading@indigo.ca with any questions

IMPORTANT!

Applications are due on February 28th

APPLICATION PROCESS

We accept applications from individual schools, and community organizations who apply on behalf of one or a group of schools.

Step 1: Please take the time to download and review our [Literacy Fund Grant Application guide](#) to learn more about how to complete the application successfully

Step 2: Download the [PDF version of the application questions](#) and take the time to draft your responses

Step 3: Once you have drafted your responses, please visit [our website](#) to submit your application



PROGRAM IMPACT

81%

reported **students were more motivated to spend time reading***

96%

reported **an increase in their students ability to decode new words***

76%

reported being able to **more meaningfully explore DE&I** with students*

100%

reported an **increase in book sign-outs and library visits***

*Results shown are based on survey data collected from schools who participated in the Literacy Fund Grant program from May 2019 - April 2022

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In response to feedback from our Indigenous school partners over the years, the Indigo Love of Reading Foundation has created a more streamlined and accessible application process, designed for First Nation schools to communicate their specific literacy needs and capacities endemic to their on-reserve students and communities.

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- Educator at Kapapamahchakwew - Wandering Spirit School

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First Nations operated schools and community partners **since 2017**

100K

books provided to **Indigenous** communities through our programs

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