



Dick Hillier Tutoring Program

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- Began in 2010 and has now grown to over 800 students who have completed and benefited from the program
- Standardized tests are given pre and post tutoring to track progress
- Test scores have shown that over 90% of students in the program made significant reading gains
- An average of 2-3 tutors participate per school
- Teachers are paid a small stipend to tutor underperforming students from their classrooms
- An average of 5-6 students receive tutoring, outside of normal classroom time, 2 hours per week for 15 weeks
- The program is in 7 of the 11 elementary schools in Rio Rancho
- Our goal is to be able to have a minimum of 20 tutors and have a presence in all Rio Rancho elementary schools

Due to the challenges the schools and students have had to face this last school year, we have found the need is greater than ever to expand our program. We are grateful to our committed, long-term sponsors who have helped us grow this program through their financial support. We invite new businesses to join us in our efforts to help struggling student reach their potential through the Dick Hillier Tutoring Program.

SPONSOR RECOGNITION

Throughout the year Rio Rancho Rotary plans multiple events to raise additional revenue, beyond sponsorship, to help in our funding efforts for the DHTP. At each event we attempt to always recognize our sponsors who support us. We post logos on the DHTP website and the Rio Rancho Rotary website as well as recognizing companies on all print materials and media efforts. We invite sponsors to all our events and when possible, offer the opportunity to set up information areas and display banners. We also are open to working with our sponsors in creating new ways to promote and support them.



PARENT NOTES

Rotary Club of Rio Rancho,
"The Young family is grateful and appreciative to Mrs. Stewart and the Rio Rancho Rotary Club for their efforts and sponsorship of the tutoring program at our son's school. Jagger made tremendous strides in his reading and comprehension abilities as a result. We are so proud of him when he reads to us with confidence. Again, thank you."

Richard Young (parent)

Dear Rotary Club,

"Thank you for sponsoring the tutoring program at our kid's school. What a BLESSING! My 1st grade boy was really behind in reading after kindergarten. After 6 months tutoring with Jasmine Stewart at Sandia Vista Elementary, he is on TRACK. Thank You!!!"

Sincerely, Karen Greene (parent)

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"Rio Rancho Public Schools has an outstanding relationship with the Rotary Club of Rio Rancho. Over the years, we have partnered on a number of projects. One of these projects is the Dick Hillier Tutoring Program. The Dick Hillier Tutoring Program targets third grade students in the Rio Rancho area. This is a unique and successful tutoring program that uses the student's own teacher as the tutor. Participating teachers are paid a small stipend to tutor their own students two hours a week for fifteen weeks. Each student is tested at the beginning of the year to determine his or her reading level and at the end of the year to measure his or her improvement.... We very much appreciate everything the Rotary Club of Rio Rancho does to support our schools and to make our students shine!"



V. Sue Cleveland, Ed.D.,
Superintendent of Schools, Rio Rancho Public Schools

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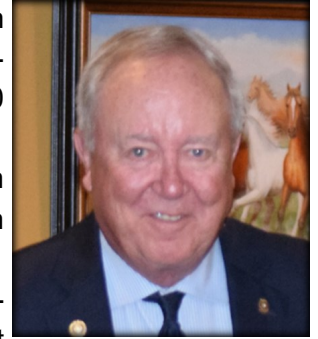
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DICK HILLIER TUTORING PROGRAM

- Dick Hillier was a long-time member of Rotary. He initiated this program in the Rio Rancho Public School District and drew great joy from helping struggling students reach their potential. The program, which began in 2010 continues to grow.
- The Dick Hillier Tutoring Program began because of a need that came from concerned teachers stating they needed more individual time with students in their classroom who could not read at grade level.
- Over 70% of New Mexico 4th graders cannot read at grade level. The premise that students learn to read up to the 3rd grade and then reading is not taught as a subject after the 3rd grade, dooms these children to years of poor academic performance.
- Rio Rancho has been blessed with an outstanding public school system. Our professional educators are dedicated to every student with the reading skills necessary for success. However, even with all these efforts we still have students who cannot read at grade level when they leave elementary school.
- The pandemic has exacerbated this issue as virtual education does not provide the necessary support that underperforming students need. The last two school years have been an exceedingly difficult time for many more of our early elementary students.
- The Rio Rancho Rotary Club addresses this issue with a unique, extraordinarily successful program, the Dick Hillier Tutoring Program. The program is unique in that the participating teachers are paid a small stipend to tutor their own selected students outside normal classroom hours. Teachers select 5 or 6 of their own students that need individual attention and works with them 2 hours per week for 15 weeks.
- Standardized tests given before and after the program show a marked improvement in each student's reading ability. Aside from the academic improvement, the student's self-confidence grows and the more fully participate in all classroom activities. This 11-year-old program is in high demand in the Rio Rancho School District. Over 850 students have participated in the program with over 90% of them improving their reading skills.
- We currently provide the program in 7 of the district's 11 elementary schools. With the help of our community businesses, we have a goal of providing the tutoring program in all 11 schools.
- The DHTP is funded through events held during the year as well as sponsorships from our community businesses.
 - The Rotary Club has no administrative costs associated with this program. All sponsorships and donations go directly to the Dick Hillier Tutoring Program to fund a school or a teacher with the goal of benefitting the long term success of our students and the future of our community.



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