

Ready Set Learn helped **648 students** who are struggling in school develop the literacy and social-emotional skills they need to address their learning challenges. Literacy and social-emotional skills contribute to students becoming more resilient, confident, and perseverant which helps them in the classroom and beyond.

This program also shaped **23 future educators** by providing tutor training in best practices related to literacy and social-emotional learning. Tutors also gained an understanding of the connection between mental well-being and learning.



### About RSL

Ready Set Learn (RSL) program is a free summer tutoring program for children who are struggling with reading, writing and math. All elementary schools in PEI have access to this program through our referral process. Our trained tutors work with children in grades K to 6 in English, French Immersion, and Francophone programs. Each child receives one-to-one tutoring for 45 minutes each week for eight weeks. Lessons are tailored to meet individual learning needs. Tutoring takes place in public libraries, schools, and community centers. We use a proven mentorship model in order to best support our new tutors. Mentors are returning tutors who gain valuable leadership skills while providing peer support.



### New this year

This year we enhanced our tutoring sessions by integrating social-emotional learning to address the mental well-being challenges students face such as: lack of confidence, frustration, anxiety, lack of self-regulation, and negative self talk.

With the guidance of an advisory committee, we adopted best practices for building resilience and core life skills to better support children and their families.

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## Summary Evaluation Findings

A third party evaluator measured our effectiveness at helping students develop literacy and social-emotional skills. The evaluator surveyed tutors, parents, and students.

The evaluation report shows that students positively engaged in learning literacy and social-emotional skills.

### Literacy Skills

More than 90% of parents said their child enjoyed the tutoring session and helped their child practice their reading, writing and math skills over the summer. 99% said they would recommend this program to other parents.

When asked “what did you learn about yourself during our tutoring sessions?”, 173 students spoke about how they improved their literacy skills and gained confidence with reading and writing.

### Social-Emotional Skills

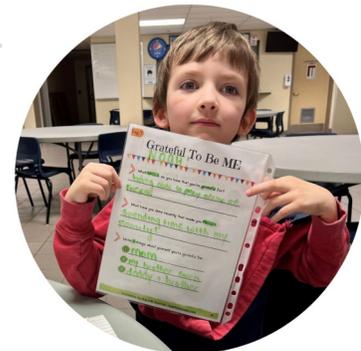
When students were asked what they learned about social-emotional learning during our program, the following six key themes emerged:

1. Don't give up and keep on trying
2. Focus on doing your best and not being the best
3. It's good to make mistakes – it's how we learn
4. Stay positive and believe in yourself – don't listen to your negative inner critic
5. Try new things
6. We can grow our brains

*“The tutor was great with my child; we’ve noticed a big change in her with the ways she tries to read and count which will hopefully make the transition to Grade 1 smooth for her. Thanks again!” - Parent*



*“I learned I can do a lot of challenging things if I practise hard or put my mind to it! For example, I thought writing was hard and I used to only write a few words, or one sentence but once I ended up writing an entire page!” – Student*



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