

# Application for the 2011-2012 Kentucky Reading Project (KRP)

*(One application should be completed for each individual applicant)*

***Applications are due by  
Friday, February 28, 2011***

*The majority of this application may be completed online for your convenience. After completing the individual applicant information fields, you may save and print a copy to be mailed to the KRP Director of your first university site choice (address information on last page) with the following:*

- *Personal Statement*
- *CSIP (if applicable)*
- *Principal's Recommendation*

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) About the Kentucky Reading Project

**Q: What is the Kentucky Reading Project (KRP)?**

**A:** KRP is a professional development initiative for Kentucky teachers focused on research-based reading instruction. It is sponsored by the Collaborative Center for Literacy Development (CCLD) and is a yearlong graduate-level reading course.

**Q: How does KRP address the mandates of Senate Bill 1 (2009)?**

**A:** KRP incorporates the Kentucky Academic Core Standards into the core curriculum of the course.

**Q: When does it take place?**

**A:** KRP consists of a two-week summer institute and four follow-up days during the school year, normally scheduled after school or on a Saturday.

**Q: Where does it take place?**

**A:** KRP is held at each of the eight state universities. Additional sites may be added in regions of the state where no state university exists.

**Q: What grade level does KRP target?**

**A:** KRP targets teachers in grades K-5.

**Q: Can I receive graduate credit?**

**A:** Teachers can receive three hours of graduate credit upon completion of the course.

**Q: Who teaches the course?**

**A:** A member of the literacy faculty at each of the state universities serves as the course instructor. The National Center for Family Literacy also provides one day of training.

**Q: Will I receive a stipend?**

**A:** Each teacher who completes KRP receives a stipend upon completion of the course in May 2012.

**Q: How do I apply?**

**A:** Teachers must fill out an application, which is available online at [www.kentuckyliteracy.org](http://www.kentuckyliteracy.org). In addition to the application, teachers must secure the recommendation of their principal. They will also have an interview with the KRP director at the site where they are applying.

**Q: How many applicants are selected at each site?**

**A:** Up to 20 teachers are accepted at each university KRP site.

**Q: When will I be notified if I am selected for KRP?**

**A:** Teachers will be contacted by letter or email in late March or early April if they have been selected for KRP.

**Q: Do I receive books and materials for the course?**

**A:** Teachers will receive educational books and resources before the class begins.

**Q: When do I complete the course?**

**A:** Teachers will complete the course at the end of the spring semester the year after they have attended the summer institute.

**Q: What are the course requirements?**

**A:** Teachers will complete a Literacy Action Plan (LAP) that they will implement in their classroom during the school year. They will also develop a poster or roundtable session describing the implementation of the LAP to be presented at a statewide Share Fair in spring 2012. As well, teachers will submit a reflection paper about KRP explaining changes that have occurred in their instructional practices.

**Q: Will the instructors visit my classroom?**

**A:** The KRP directors will make a coaching visit during the year to discuss the implementation of the LAP and provide support to the teacher in a variety of ways.

**Q: Will I have the opportunity to network with other teachers during the year?**

**A:** Teachers will network with other teachers from across the state at the Share Fair. They also can communicate with other teachers via listservs.

**Q: Will I have access to literacy resources?**

**A:** In addition to all the materials and books that teachers receive during KRP, many other resources are available on the CCLD website: [www.kentuckyliteracy.org](http://www.kentuckyliteracy.org).

**To complete the application:**

- 1) Each team member will write a personal statement (one to three pages) that includes the following:
  - Why you want to participate in KRP
  - Your professional development/graduate experiences related to literacy over the past three years
  - A brief statement about professional books you have recently read
  - How you involve the families of your students in literacy
  - Any other useful information that would qualify you as a candidate for KRP
  
- 2) Ask your principal to complete the enclosed "Principal's Recommendation for KRP 2011-2012."
  
- 3) If your school's Comprehensive School Improvement Plan addresses literacy, please include a copy of these specific pages with your application.

You may apply to two KRP sites. Please write the number "1" on the space beside your **first choice** and the number "2" beside your **second choice**. The completed application is to be mailed to your **first choice site only**. All selected participants will receive their first choice unless that site is filled. If your first choice site is filled, you will be given your second choice. If both of your selected choices are filled, you will be given the opportunity to interview at alternate sites if openings still exist. Applications will be dated as they are received.

\_\_\_\_\_ Eastern Kentucky University  
\_\_\_\_\_ Kentucky State University  
\_\_\_\_\_ Morehead State University  
\_\_\_\_\_ Murray State University

\_\_\_\_\_ Northern Kentucky University  
\_\_\_\_\_ University of Kentucky  
\_\_\_\_\_ University of Louisville  
\_\_\_\_\_ Western Kentucky University

After February 28, 2011, the KRP Director will contact you to set up an interview time. When all interviews are completed, directors will notify applicants relative to the outcome of their applications. Thank you for your interest in the Kentucky Reading Project. We look forward to receiving your application and getting to know you during the interview.

***I agree to actively participate in the Kentucky Reading Project and to fulfill the expectations of the project as described in the KRP handbook. This agreement includes a commitment to attend all sessions of the two-week summer institute and the four follow-up sessions, including the Share Fair.***

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

*See last page for mailing addresses for application.*

**Return the completed application, personal statement, principal's recommendation, and copy of the Comprehensive School Improvement Plan pages (if applicable) to the KRP Director at the university site of your first choice (see last page of application for dates of KRPs, directors, and contact information). Applications are due by February 28, 2011.**



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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level/s \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Teaching Experience \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

City State Zip

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address (school) \_\_\_\_\_ (home) \_\_\_\_\_

Names of other KRP Team Members (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

School Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

City State Zip

School Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Principal \_\_\_\_\_

**List any grants related to literacy that have been awarded to your school within the past three years:**

Name of Grant/s Date Awarded

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RETURN APPLICATION TO YOUR **FIRST CHOICE SITE ONLY** AT THE ADDRESS LISTED BELOW

**Kentucky Reading Project 2011-2012**  
**Summer Institute Dates, Locations, and Contact Information**

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