Dear Vello Volunteer,

In response to COVID-19 school closures, United Way is piloting a Summer Reading Program that will provide children with virtual 1:1 reading volunteers while they are at home. This is crucial to ensure children remain on track with reading goals ahead of Fall. The program will run during June 22 – August 28, and parents/caretakers will ensure children are ready to read at designated times.

As a Vello Volunteer HOST you are the missing piece that will ensure kids can connect over the Summer!

- You will host the reading session on Zoom (login credentials provided)
- Ensure volunteer and student connect and e-books are visible
- Provide real-time assistance and monitoring of sessions. You can passively oversee the session and will not read when a volunteer has scheduled.
- Serve as host for 2-3 hours per week, some of which will consist of your own 1:1 reading sessions with a student!

You will need:

- Vello volunteer online training + quick virtual info session (June 17, 1pm EST) with UWGPSNJ about your HOST role.
- Internet-connected device with the Zoom application. You will host!
- Basic communication and troubleshooting support for students that join the reading session.
- As HOST, you'll sit back and let the scheduled volunteer read with the student, inactively listening for hiccups.
- Background check through the Vello Portal. See more on PA background checks.
- A welcoming and positive attitude!

Support Vello the United Way / Vello’s new approach will not work without a Volunteer HOST. That’s why we need you! Our staff is nimble, therefore we are engaging Vello volunteers as HOSTs to build capacity and ensure literacy impact over the Summer. We can’t do this without you! Thank you!

Ready to host? Existing volunteers: Please contact your Volunteer Team Captain
New to Vello volunteers (without a Vello Portal account): Sign up via Global Citizen

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