

## Local schools looking for reading mentors

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PUTNAM COUNTY — Several Putnam County Schools are looking for volunteers of any age to work with school-aged children in a reading mentoring program called Project MORE (Mentoring in Ohio for Reading Excellence). If you have 30 minutes to one hour free at least one day per week, become a reading mentor. Ottawa, Glandorf and Miller City- New Cleveland Elementary Schools are starting Project MORE this year and are in URGENT need for volunteers. Continental, Fort Jennings, Kalida, Leipsic and Pandora-Gilboa schools could also use reading mentors for their Project MORE programs.

Project MORE is an evidence-based intervention that is making a difference for students with disabilities or students identified as not on track. Project MORE mentoring sessions provide one-on-one instruction with students. The sessions last for 30 minutes and take place four times per week at the host school. As a volunteer, you decide where and how often you would like to mentor. The coordinators at the school will train the volunteers on how the program works.

For more information on becoming a Project MORE volunteer, no matter your age, please contact Jodi Warnecke at the Putnam County Council on Aging, Inc., at 419-523-4121 or by email at [jwarnecke-pccoa@bright.net](mailto:jwarnecke-pccoa@bright.net).