



writingbuddies.org

*One grownup,  
one kid, writing.*



**Overview** **Writing Buddies** is a volunteer program that pairs adults one-on-one with schoolkids to write stories. **Writing Buddies** offers writing sessions during the school year in local second and third grades.

**Dates for Winter 2019 Session**

<b>Wednesdays, 10:00 am – noon</b>	
• January 23	Mandatory training
• January 30, February 6, 13, 20	Writing meetings with Buddies
• February 27	Publishing celebration

**Location of Winter 2019 Session**

Harriet Gadisman’s third grade, Room 24  
 Patwin Elementary School  
 2222 Shasta Drive  
 Davis, CA 95616  
 530.757.5383

**Session Details**

- The first week’s meeting is training for all volunteers.
- There are four writing meetings in the classroom with Writing Buddies pairs.
- The Authors’ Publishing Celebration is one hour long. Each volunteer and student Buddy pair gets a book of the stories they’ve written. Some interesting volunteers make brief presentations, while kids eat.

**Volunteer Qualifications**

- 25 or older
- Fluent in English
- Able to handwrite a story
- Love sharing with children
- Use email for communication

**No-Anxiety Training**

We provide full instructions for each session. In addition to the two-hour training, each meeting begins and ends with a half-hour coaching session. Volunteers share experiences, problem-solve, and learn more about how to help their Writing Buddies succeed.

<b>For more information</b>	Robbie Fanning <a href="mailto:mail@writingbuddies.org">mail@writingbuddies.org</a> 530.231.5388 (before 9 pm)	<b>Writing Buddies</b> <a href="http://www.writingbuddies.org">www.writingbuddies.org</a>
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*“I can’t adequately express the joy my students experienced during their time with their Writing Buddies. They loved the time together, and some of the students wrote more fluently with their Buddy than they could do on their own.”*

*Cheri Burau, Third Grade Teacher,  
 Patwin Elementary School, Davis, CA*