Requirements for Becoming a Literacy Volunteers Tutor

Volunteers are asked to meet the following criteria to be eligible for participation as a tutor with Literacy Volunteers of Greater New Haven.

- Be at least 18 years old.
- Have a valid telephone number and address.
- Be able to read, write, and speak the English language well enough to communicate clearly both orally and in written form.
- Complete the Literacy Volunteers tutor training course for Basic Literacy and/or ESOL tutoring.
- Be willing to participate with the Literacy Volunteers program as a tutor for at least one (1) year.
- Be willing to tutor a student or small group up to two (2) hours each week.
- Prepare lessons that are relevant to the student’s or group’s goals.
- Demonstrate patience, flexibility, and sensitivity to the needs and abilities of non-English speaking and functionally illiterate adults.
- Attend at least one in-service tutor workshop per year. Tutors are also encouraged to attend conferences relating to literacy, when appropriate.
- Submit monthly student attendance and instructional hours you have logged in the previous month.
- Periodically submit information on students’ achievements.
- Work closely with LV staff to evaluate your student’s progress after 40 hours of student instruction.