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WITS Partners with Harris & Harris to Help Kids Read

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CHICAGO, IL— Harris & Harris is a corporate sponsor of WITS (Working in the Schools), an organization that promotes literacy and the love of reading among Chicago's youth by providing one-on-one tutoring. This sponsorship isn't just about money, though. Harris & Harris employees go to a Chicago Public School once a week where they are paired with the same third grade child for an entire school year. Both the Harris & Harris employees and the school children look forward to the time together.

"Our team of volunteers works with third grade students on their reading skills by allowing the student to select books and read to us individually," Vince LoBianco, Director, Revenue Enhancement at Harris & Harris explains. "One can witness the visible excitement on the student's face as they look anxiously for their reading buddy to enter."

The program breaks down barriers and brings people together from different walks of life by giving the students an opportunity to develop a relationship with a non-authority partner that they can look up to and learn from. While promoting literacy and the love of reading is the ultimate goal, the friendships and expanded perspectives of both the student and volunteer are just as important. For more information on WITS, go to www.witschicago.org.

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"It has been an honor to be a part of the program and I am looking forward to seeing the progress made at the end of the school year."

- Vince LoBianco, Director,
Revenue Enhancement,
Harris & Harris



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