



Meet Colby, our Read-A-Thon Mascot!

Dear Parents and Teachers,

Our Read-A-Thon begins on Friday, March 1st and will end on Wednesday, March 27th at midnight. Students can begin logging their reading minutes on Friday, 3/1. Last year, our school read for **130,712 minutes!** Let's try to beat our record!

Here are some guidelines for the Read-A-Thon:

How do I sign up?

You should have received a flyer from school with your class code. Another flyer will be sent home once the Read-A-Thon begins. Read-A-Thon suggests using a parent email address for login, student emails may not allow all of the features of the site to work (i.e. sending emails to supporters).

What minutes count?

Minutes read at school and at home count.

Students can read on their own, or have a book read to them.

How should minutes be tracked?

Using the timer: Login and set the timer when you start your reading session. Stop the timer when you are done.

Teachers can use the timer for whole-class reading sessions, which will be added to each student's account as long as they are signed up.

Another method: Keep track of minutes read on a piece of paper, and enter them manually at the end of the day or by the end of each week. You could use post-its, or the Reading Log Sheet from Read-A-Thon.

The honor system: Parents, please help your child keep track of their minutes. If they are keeping track of their minutes read at school, check to make sure it is a realistic amount that they are recording. If the teacher is using a timer for a class reading session, then they should not double log those minutes.

When will we receive updates?

Please try to log each week's minutes by Thursday night. Every Friday morning the school will announce what class is in the lead for each grade. We will post updates on our PTA Facebook page and in the WAAG.

What are the prizes?

The top class in each grade will receive a trophy & certificate for their classroom, and extra recess.

The top reader in each class will receive a medal, a group photo in the yearbook, and other fun surprises.

How can people donate?

Our main donation page is: https://www.read-a-thon.com/school/_59966

Our page for placing a business ad is:

<https://www.read-a-thon.com/ads/options/59966>

We have already received some donations and are so thankful for your continued support. A successful Read-A-Thon secures important funds for our school community while enriching our readers.

Thank you & Happy Reading!

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