

Garfield Cheetah's Read Every Day!

GARFIELD PTA READ-A-THON March 2nd-23rd 2017

2017 Reading CHALLENGE and FUNDRAISER

Find additional forms and more at www.olygarfieldpta.com/read-a-thon

The Read-A-Thon is a fun, profitable fundraiser that allows our children to raise money for their PTA without selling anything. Instead, we will promote our school's love for reading. The best part of the Read-A-Thon is that 100% of the money collected in a Read-A-Thon will be used at our school! The money raised will go toward Garfield Track Stars, Movie Nights, Holiday Spirit, plus purchasing play equipment, assemblies, and much more! We have made this Read-A-Thon easy and fun. Our hope is that everyone will participate to make it a huge success for our school and children.

Here's how it works:

- Your student should set a total reading minute goal for the entire Read-A-Thon and for the next 22 days record their daily minutes read using the Reading Log attached. Please initial your child's recorded time each day on their Reading Log and return it to school, with all sponsorship monies, on the 24th of March. Please be sure to go over the rules on the next page with your child so that they know what kind of reading minutes count.
- Your student can also participate by finding sponsors to pledge money for their reading (only ask family and friends). Please note that finding sponsors is not a requirement to participate in the Read-A-Thon. Sponsorships help the PTA and students who participate will be eligible for special fundraising prizes.
- Your student should read EVERY day, and read a lot, throughout the March 23rd deadline.
- After the end of the event on March 23rd, your child should tally all of their minutes read on their reading log(s) and, if appropriate, collect their pledge money from their sponsors. Your student needs to turn in their Reading Log(s) and Sponsorship Form(s) with all monies (if appropriate) absolutely no later than Monday, March 27th! Students who turn in their paperwork and monies by the March 27th deadline will be eligible for prizes. At an assembly on Wednesday, March 29th, the winners of the Grand Prizes will be announced along with random prize drawings for participants.

Key Dates of the Read-A-Thon:

March 2nd (Suess's Birthday!) - Read-A-Thon begins

March 23rd- Read-A-Thon ends

March 24th-March 27th Reading Log, Sponsorship Form and Money need to be turned in

March 29th - Rewards announced at Assembly

~Please go over the next page with your child so they will understand what reading counts~

~Read-A-Thon Rules~

What Counts?

Reading before and after school!
Being Read to only counts for K-2nd!
Reading instead of watching T.V. counts!
Sitting outside in the sunshine reading counts!
Reading to your cat counts (Especially if he has a hat on)
Reading in the dark under the covers with a flashlight counts...
But only if your parents say it's ok.

You may also read in a box or with a fox....
And in a house or with a mouse....
In the rain and in a tree...(Carefully)
READING is so good you see!
So go out and read here and there!!!
Go out and read anywhere (That you are allowed)

Now before you go...You need to know....

What Doesn't Count

Reading during class time does NOT count...
Reading instead of doing homework does NOT count...
Watching the movie based on the book does NOT count
(And the books are better)
Listening to an audio book does NOT count
And time spent reading before and after the Read-A-Thon do NOT count

******Fun tip for older 3rd-5th grade siblings and friends******
******If you read to a K-2nd younger sibling or friend it counts for both of you!!******

Please remember

~CHARACTER COUNTS~

Be honest with your minutes so that it will be fair and fun for everyone. No guessing. Please look at the clock or use a timer or stopwatch to clock your minutes and count to the nearest whole minute. Remember that your parents will need to initial your minutes on the Reading Log. Please initial your child's recorded time each day.

Need more information?

Check out our website at www.olygarfieldpta.com/read-a-thon
You can also email us your questions at olygarfieldpta@gmail.com

2017 Garfield Cheetah's Read-a-Thon PRIZES

Individual Prizes:

Students will only be eligible for ONE individual prize. A student who wins one prize, can't win another prize; however, if a student reads the most minutes and raises the most money, they will get both top prizes. All students who win individual prizes are still eligible for the Goal Rewards, Classroom prizes, and Random Drawings..

Top Fundraiser (K-5)

- ~A Kindle E Reader
- ~Free Popcorn Fridays for the rest of the school year
- ~A Baskin Robbins Ice Cream Scoop

Top Fundraiser per Grade (K-5)

- ~Garfield Cheetah t-shirt
- ~a Free Friday popcorn
- ~A Baskin Robbins Ice Cream Scoop

Most Minutes Read (K-2 and 3-5)

- ~A Kindle E Reader
- ~Free Popcorn Fridays for the rest of the school year
- ~ A Baskin Robbins Ice Cream Scoop

Next 5 Runners-Up: (K-2)

- ~A Free Skate Pass for Skateland
- ~A Miss Moffett Cupcake
- ~A Baskin Robbins Ice Cream Scoop

Next 5 Runners-Up: (3-5)

- ~A Free Jump Pass for Boom Shaka
- ~A Large Papa Murphy's Pizza
- ~A Baskin Robbins Ice Cream Scoop

Random Drawing Each Classroom

- ~A Wetzels Pretzel
- ~A Baskin Robbins Ice Cream Scoop
- ~A Book

**GET IN THE TOP 20% OF NUMBER OF MINUTES READ AND GET
AN OPEN GYM PASS FROM BLACK HILLS GYMNASTICS!!!**

Goal Prize:

EVERY child that meets their grade established minute goal (see below) will win a gift certificate for a free pizza at [i.talia pizzeria](#).

Grade	Kindergarten	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Goal Minutes	330	330	440	660	660	880
Minutes per day	15	15	20	30	30	40

Classroom Prizes: (1 Per Classroom)

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| Most minutes read by K-2 Classroom: | Bounce House Popsicle Party |
| Most minutes read by 3-5 Classroom: | Bounce House Popsicle Party |
| Classroom K-2 with highest participation %: | Bounce House Popsicle party |
| Classroom 3-5 with highest participation %: | Bounce House Popsicle party |