



# 13th Annual Read-A-Thon

April 1 - 12, 2024

The Read-A-Thon is an opportunity for students to celebrate reading while raising funds for PTA sponsored programs and projects at Highland Terrace. Students challenge themselves to read every day, and collect pledges in support of their efforts. This is our largest annual fundraiser for the PTA and your support is important!

Our goals this year are to reach 100% reading participation and to raise \$12,500 as a school.

#### HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Students can participate in the way that works best for them: read independently, be read to by someone else, listen to audiobooks, read books without words, or even tell stories. There are no specific "minutes read" targets this year, we simply ask that students participate in a literacy activity each day. Students are welcome to set their own reading goals.

#### TRACKING READING

Each day that a student reads, they color in a space on their tracking sheet. Teachers may include in-class reading time that will count for tracking purposes. Students can also explore the many different ways to read by coloring in stars to show different ways they took part in Read-A-Thon.

#### **FUNDRAISING**

Please visit <a href="https://tinyurl.com/HTreadathon24">https://tinyurl.com/HTreadathon24</a> for a link to donate via credit card. We appreciate your generous support!

A link to create a personalized page for your student to share with family and friends will be sent via email.

## IN SCHOOL READING CELEBRATION

Special events will occur April 1 – 12 to celebrate Highland Terrace's love of reading!

April 1: Read-A-Thon Kick Off!

April 2: Evening Virtual Storytime in partnership with Community Read.

April 5: Spirit Day - Dress like your favorite book character!

April 8 - 12: Recess Reading

April 8: Mystery Monday - Mystery Reader Day.

**April 11**: Author Visit in partnership with Community Read. Elana K Arnold, author of "A Boy Called Bat", will perform a virtual visit for students.

## **PRIZES**

## Individual Prizes

- Every student will receive a Read-A-Thon bookmark.
- All students who turn in their Tracking Sheet by April 19<sup>th</sup> will receive a Read-A-Thon pencil, and will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win 1 of 25 Free Pizza gift vouchers to Round Table Pizza. You do not need to fundraise to be eligible for this drawing.
- ➤ All students who meet the following requirements will be entered into the Reader Challenge Drawing for one of 20 fabulous prizes (\$20 gift cards to Third Place Books or Math 'n' Stuff)
  - 1) A minimum of \$25 raised (indicate amount raised on tracking sheet)
  - 2) Reading every day and completing the Tracking Sheet
  - 3) Tracking Sheet turned in by April 19th.
- Additionally, there are prize packs from the Scholastic Book Fair for each grade.

#### School Prize

➤ If we reach our fundraising goal (\$12,500), we will have extra recess!

## QUESTIONS?

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Extra tracking sheets can be found in the front office or on the Highland Terrace PTA website at <a href="https://www.highlandterracepta.org/read-a-thon">www.highlandterracepta.org/read-a-thon</a>.