

Dear Royal Oak School Families,



March is Literacy Month at Royal Oak School, and we want all students to get reading during our annual Read-a-Thon!

What is a Read-a-Thon? It is a school-wide reading challenge where students set reading goals while raising funds for our school and are entered to win amazing prizes. The goal for our Read-a-Thon is to get students excited about reading!

How does it work? Students set individual reading goals (minutes spent reading) over a two-week period from March 3rd to 16th, tracking how much time they read every day in the Time Log. Students can read to themselves, read out loud, or be read to. We encourage students to read a variety of things. Fiction, non-fiction, poetry, magazines, e-books, audiobooks, books in different languages, graphic novels, etc. Students collect pledges from family and friends to support their reading goals. Students who participate are entered to win great prizes!

How can we raise money? Ask family and friends to commit to donating to the school while your child works toward their reading goal! All donations of any amount are greatly appreciated. All donations are raised online by using the QR code or visiting this link that you can share with family and friends: <https://square.link/u/kb7zQfjT>.



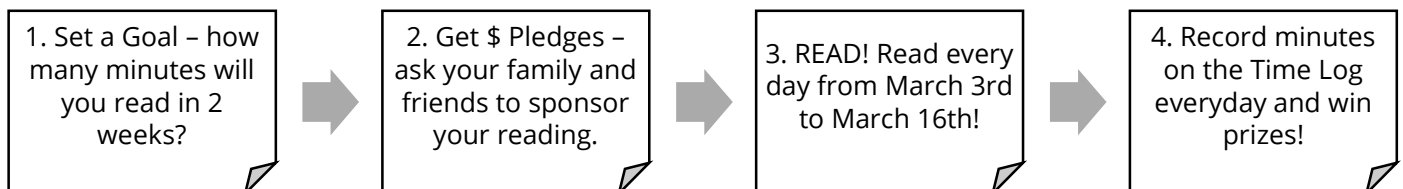
Why are we raising money? Money raised through the Read-a-Thon will support students' overall learning experience by helping fund materials and programs for our school not covered by our school budget. Donations will help pay for spirit events, staff appreciation, field trip subsidies, special programs, and other activities for students. Please note School Council cannot issue tax receipts. All donations are made whether your child meets their goal or not.

Does my child have to raise money or collect pledges to participate? Raising money and collecting pledges is optional but encouraged. This is an exciting opportunity to support our school and raise money for fun school events, like the school dance, year-end celebration, field trips and other activities.

Did someone say PRIZES? Yes! There are individual and class prizes – for participation, most minutes read and most money raised. Prizes include donut parties for the class that raises the most money or reads the most minutes, books, gift cards, games and more. Be sure you fill out your Time Log with your full name, teacher, and grade and submit it to your teacher by March 20th!

Have more questions? Get updates about the Read-a-Thon and Literacy Month on the ROS Facebook Group page or contact the ROS Council at roschoolcouncil@gmail.com for more information.

How the Read-a-Thon works



Read-a-Thon Time Log

Student Name: _____

Teacher: _____ Grade: _____

MY GOAL IS TO READ _____ MINUTES!



Begin tracking your reading on March 3, 2025. Please be honest with your minutes so it is fair and fun for everyone. Use a clock or timer to track your minutes. Parents – please initial your child's reading progress. Submit your completed Time Log to your teacher by March 20th to be included in our final school count and for our prize draws.

March 2025 Literacy Month at Royal Oak School						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Read-a-Thon starts tomorrow! ➡➡➡	3 Time read: _____ mins Parent initial:	4 Time read: _____ mins Parent initial:	5 Time read: _____ mins Parent initial:	6 Time read: _____ mins Parent initial:	7 Time read: _____ mins Parent initial:	8 Time read: _____ mins Parent initial:
9 Time read: _____ mins Parent initial:	10 Time read: _____ mins Parent initial:	11 Time read: _____ mins Parent initial:	12 Time read: _____ mins Parent initial:	13 Time read: _____ mins Parent initial:	14 Time read: _____ mins Parent initial:	15 Time read: _____ mins Parent initial:
16 Time read: _____ mins Parent initial:	17	18	19	20	21	22
You must submit your Read-a-Thon Time Log to your teacher by March 20th to be included in the draw for prizes!						

TOTAL MINUTES OF READING: _____ (WOW – WAY TO GO!!)

What Counts ☒	What Doesn't Count ☒
☒ Reading before & after school, in the car or on the bus ☒ Being read to by other people ☒ Reading to other people or pets or stuffed animals ☒ Listening to Audio books	☒ Reading during school ☒ Reading while watching TV, movies or playing video games ☒ Reading before Mar 3 (the start of the Read-a-Thon)