



Our 33rd Annual Reading Incentive Program is ready to begin. The program will run for six weeks and will begin March 8th with all reading slips due by Monday, April 19th, 2021. Our theme this year goes along with our 100th year celebration, Reading Can Take You Anywhere, Any Time! Each student will have an individual Back to the Future Car with a flux capacitor to travel back in time and chart our progress on our digital display.

General Information

The purpose of this program is to encourage reading for pleasure and enjoyment. While ability and interest levels vary greatly within any group of students, we believe making the time for reading is an important habit, which will benefit all children now and throughout their lives as adults. Students are given a goal of 100 minutes per week for each of the six weeks of the program. However, students will be encouraged to exceed these goals and move throughout the “Time Machine ” display at their own pace. For each 100 minutes they read, they will receive a ticket for a *chance* to win a prize at the end of the program. The more they read the more chances they will receive. This is not a race to see who can read the fastest; our goal is for each child to do their best to find time to read.

We are also encouraging parents to read with children where they feel it is appropriate. Both independent and shared reading *at any age* has value and will be counted toward our goals. Since our aim is to develop a habit of finding the time to read, our goal of 100 minutes will be for all grade levels. The level of difficulty should be determined by the content of the books selected.

How does the program work?

All reading will be done outside of school hours under parental guidance. Goal slips must include books read, times, and a *parent signature* in order to be counted as valid. The completed forms will be turned into the classroom teachers who will place them in a special envelope for the recorders. Some students may need more than one week to achieve the 100 minute goal, while others may complete more than one week’s goal in a week.

We ask that a new slip be filled out for each 100 minutes. If a student runs out of forms they may obtain more from the library or the website. A student, who continues to read after meeting the six goals, will continue to earn prize drawing tickets. The students will be able to place their raffle tickets in a drawing for the prizes they are interested in winning.

Additional Reading Incentive slips will be available on the St. Rose School Website - or at the school library

Commonly asked questions?

Does the reading of textbooks, classroom novels, or school related materials count? – No

Do magazines count? – No

Does reading on an e-reader count? – YES!

Does reading to a younger brother/sister, child count? – YES!

Does reading with a parent count? – YES!

Is the Reading Incentive Program for EVERYONE? – YES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

If you have any questions or ideas please contact Ms. Crowell at pcrowell@strosenj.com