

WELCOME TO CAMP READ-A-LOT!



CAMP RULES:

What is Camp Read-a-Lot? Camp Read-a-Lot is a read-a-thon fundraiser for xMinds. Campers ask people (sponsors) to pledge money for the amount they read for the duration of Camp. Campers keep track of how much they read, and at the end of Camp Read-a-Lot they report their totals to sponsors, who then send their total donation to xMinds.

What can campers read? Anything (paper or electronic)! Examples: books, articles, magazines, signage, graphic novels, cereal boxes, instructions, etc.

Who can be a camper? Any student! Examples: kindergarteners, third graders, fifth graders, middle schoolers, seniors in high school, etc.

What about pre-readers? Pre-readers make great campers! They can have someone read to them, and it counts just the same. And it's a great opportunity to ask family and friends to participate in virtual reading dates with your pre-reader!

How do campers keep track of reading? There's a Tally Form in this packet. Campers should use it to keep track of how many minutes or pages they read each day. Parents should initial the sheet each week.

Who should campers ask to sponsor them? Everyone! Examples: grandma, grandpa, aunts, uncles, neighbors, friends, etc. Campers should use the Pledge Form in this packet to set a goal and log pledges. Sponsors may put a limit on any donation by indicating it on the pledge form.

**DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER
FOR CAMP READ-A-LOT!**



CAMP READ-A-LOT PLEDGE FORM

STUDENT NAME: _____ DAILY GOAL (MIN OR PGS): _____

PARENT / GUARDIAN: _____ EMAIL: _____

There are three ways to make a pledge:

- 1) Flat donation (set amount),
- 2) Pledge an amount per minute read OR
- 3) Pledge an amount per page read

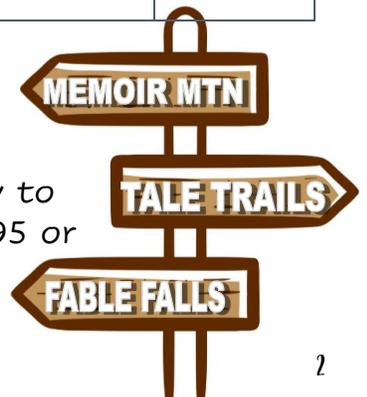


Example: a student reads 500 minutes over the span of Camp Read-a-Lot, if the pledge is 5 cents per minute, the sponsor would owe $.05 \times 500 = \$25$. Sponsors have the option to limit their total donation by indicating an amount in the Not to Exceed column.

	NAME OF SPONSOR	FLAT DONATION AMOUNT	PLEDGE PER MINUTE READ	PLEDGE PER PAGE READ	NOT TO EXCEED	TOTAL
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7						
8						
9						
10						
11						

Don't stop at eleven! Print more sheets if you need them!

Camp Read-a-Lot ends on July 31. Tally your donations using this sheet and report the final amount to each sponsor. Donations are due August 7 and can be made directly to xMinds by sending a check to PO Box 231, Kensington MD 20895 or by visiting our site at www.xminds.org/donate.



ASKING FOR PLEDGES



Wondering how to ask sponsors for pledges?

Here are some ideas:

- Dear Aunt Jane, I'm participating in Camp Read-a-Lot, a read-a-thon fundraiser for xMinds. Will you please sponsor me by making a pledge? You can make a flat rate donation or pledge an amount per minute or page I read. All donations are tax deductible and sponsors can donate online at www.xminds.org/donate. Thank you for your support!
- Hello Grandma, I'm supporting a nonprofit organization, Partnership for Extraordinary Minds, by participating in their Camp Read-a-Lot fundraiser. I'm raising money by reading books and asking people to sponsor me for the amount of time or pages I read. I plan to read a total of _____ minutes during Camp Read-a-Lot. Will you please sponsor me?

Who can you ask for pledges?

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What if sponsors want to know more about xMinds?

You can invite sponsors to explore our website, www.xminds.org, or you can tell them more about us yourself: Partnership for Extraordinary Minds (xMinds) is a nonprofit organization founded in 2009 by parents of students on the autism spectrum. The goal of xMinds is to improve the educational experiences and outcomes of autistic students in Montgomery County, MD. They offer parent education events, grants to educators seeking to learn more about teaching autistic students, resources to help parents navigate the special education process, special education advocacy assistance, and more.

How do I collect pledges?

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CAMP READ-A-LOT TALLY FORM

KEEP TRACK OF YOUR READING

EX: 20 min AM 30 min PM			JULY 1	JULY 2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

TOTAL MINUTES

PARENT INITIALS

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WEEK 1: _____

WEEK 2: _____

WEEK 3: _____

WEEK 4: _____

WEEK 5: _____

TOTAL: _____

