

Lake Harriet Community School Read-A-Thon 2019

READY, SET, READ!

Kindergarten-Fifth grade students are invited to participate in the LHCS Read-A-Thon (RAT). The purpose of this annual event is to foster a love of reading and have fun! The Read-A-Thon is also a fundraiser for the LHCS PTA – ALL donations are 100% tax deductible.



WHAT'S CHANGED FROM LAST YEAR

- New website to collect donations
 - Find your student's page at <https://99pledges.com/fund/LHCSpta> - No need to update their page or login. Simply donate what you can, then copy and share the link for your student's page via email and social media with friends and family.
 - All donations (online and offline) are flat rate – no per minute donations.
- New Prizes!!



Visit 99Pledges Website
LHCS Mechanical Pencil



Fundraise \$35
LHCS Flashlight



Fundraise \$85
LHCS Umbrella

Most minutes read (each grade)
***New Bike and Helmet!!!**

Class with most minutes (each grade)
***Class Pizza Party**

100% Class Reading Participation
***Class Ice Cream Party**

HOW THE READ-A-THON WORKS---

Students keep track of the time (in minutes) they spend reading **or being read to** during non-school hours from February 1 to March 2. Reading at school **cannot** be counted for RAT minutes.

Students ask family, friends and neighbors to sponsor them by making pledges for the Read-a-thon.

1. **Visit Your Student's Page at <https://99pledges.com/fund/LHCSpta>** (your student will receive an LHCS Mechanical Pencil)
2. **Copy the link to your student's fundraising page** and send emails to friends and family and share on social media.
3. **Students read** as many minutes as they can and keep track of minutes read using the attached calendar.
4. **Turn in minutes calendar with parent/guardian signature** and **students can WIN** prizes for their classroom or themselves based on minutes read or donations! ****For non-website/offline donations, please use the pledge form on the back of the calendar. You do not need to use the pledge form for donations collected online.**

New Bikes & Helmets provided courtesy of the Minnesota Masonic Charities/Lake Harriet Masonic Lodge

Read-A-Thon Important Dates:



February 1 – Kick off Assembly

Feb 1- First day to read for the Read-A-Thon -

Students may begin soliciting pledges from friends and family and recording minutes read outside of school hours.

Feb 8- Literary Character Day - Students, teachers, and staff are invited to dress up as their favorite literary character. The costumes must be safe & fun (non-violent, not scary, no weapons).

Feb 10- Book Fair at Wild Rumpus, 12 - 5pm - A portion of the day's sales will be donated to the PTA to purchase books for Media Centers. Wild Rumpus, 2720 West 43rd Street

Feb 13 - Family Author Night in the Lower Campus Cafeteria, 6:30 - 7:30pm - Join us for a fun evening with local author and illustrator Derek Anderson www.derekanderson.net. His books will be available for purchase starting at 6:15, or you can bring in your own to get signed.

Feb 14- Mismatch Day - Dress up in wild colors, mismatched shoes, different colored socks or different patterns (for example, stripes with polka dots, colors that clash, etc.)

Feb 22- LHCS Spirit Day - wear LHCS spirit wear, Dragon Dash t-shirts, or school colors

Feb 28, March 1- Used Book Sales at Lower and Upper Campuses – 9am - 5pm. Parents are encouraged to stop and shop. Students will also have scheduled times with their classrooms to shop.

March 1- Pajama Day

March 2 – Last Day to read for the Read-A-Thon!

March 3 – Tally minutes read. Parents must sign the calendar and return to school.

March 8 - All offline donations and calendars MUST be turned into the teacher/school office to qualify for prizes.

March 28- Read-A-Thon Awards Assembly – Bikes awarded and class prizes announced. Both Campuses

Thank you to all our students, parents, teachers, staff, and Read-a-thon volunteers for making this event a success!

Money raised during the Read-A-Thon allows the PTA to fund field trips, provide teacher stipends and supplies for both campuses, sponsor enrichment opportunities, technology, books, and more. All donations are 100% tax deductible.

Thank you to all families, friends, local businesses and neighbors who provide support, financial and otherwise for the LHCS PTA. Any questions? Contact Nikki Niermann nniermann@gmail.com