

Summer Readathon 2009

Survivor: Coney Island

What is the Readathon?

It is very important that children read throughout the summer. Reading skills encompass every aspect of your child's school day ~ whether that be algebra, geography, science, or social studies. Numerous studies show that reading over the summer has a direct correlation to school success. The readathon is an incentive program that encourages and rewards summer reading.

How does it work?

You have a choice of counting minutes or pages that you read. That can be determined by your family what works best for each individual reader. If you're not sure what works best for you, try counting both for a week and see what you like better. There is an understanding that the books read are, for the most part, at your child's reading level. Please be watchful of that at older grade levels.

Once I reach my goal, what do I do?

Keep Reading!!! Turn in your forms to Miss Gelhar before Friday, September 11th (the first Friday of school). The forms you need to turn in are:

The Readathon Prize Information Form

AND your reading calendar sheets

*** Both **must** be signed by a parent so we know they can verify the number of minutes or pages read and agree to the prize you selected.

Both forms will be in the newsletter this week and on the website.

All-School Goal! Miss Gelhar is a SURVIVOR!

If as a school, you read over 400,000 minutes/pages, Miss Gelhar will have to spend the night on Coney Island. Those who participated in the Readathon will get to walk down to the lake and watch her come from the island and walk her back to school for the day.

Chances in a drawing for prizes!

The more you read, you receive chances in a drawing to win prizes. See more information on the Individual Prize Level page!

Questions? I do not mind calls at home or leave a message at school (442-4500 x 154). I check in at school at least once a week. You can also e-mail me at vgelhar@stjosephwaconia.org and I will get back to you.

INDIVIDUAL PRIZE LEVELS

Important Notice: This year, the lowest level prizes will be given at the public library. The two prizes from the library will only be given when you sign up for the reading program at the library. The library only counts minutes. However, if you would like to count pages, you can either skip the two prizes at the library or count both until that point and then just pages after that. I will accept either pages or minutes for the Readathon.

Clearwater Lake 10 hours (600+ minutes)

- Go to the **Waconia Public Library** and receive a book plate

Lake Waconia 20 hours (1200+ minutes/pages)

- Go to the **Waconia Public Library** and receive a free book!
- You will receive 1 out of uniform pass

Coney Island 30 hours (1800+ minutes/pages)

- You will be invited to a breakfast at school in September
- You will receive 1 out of uniform pass (2 total)
- You will get one chance in the drawing

Naegele's Park 40 hours (2400+ min./pages)

- You will be invited to a breakfast at school in September
- You will have extra recess & treat on a nice day in September
- You will receive 1 out of uniform pass (3 total)
- You will get two chances in the drawing

Paradise of the Northwest 50+ hours (3000+ minutes/pages)

- You will be invited to a breakfast at school in September
- You will receive a \$5 gift certificate from a place of your choice in the certificate section.
- You will receive 1 out of uniform pass (4 total)
- You will get three chances in the drawing

Chances in the drawing! Some things in the drawing are an ice cream sundae for everyone in your class that did the Readathon, lunch with 2 friends and Miss Gelhar, gift certificates, a pizza/bowling party with 2 friends and Miss Gelhar ... other things yet to be determined.

Readathon Prize Information Form

Name _____ Grade (09-10) _____

I read _____ minutes/pages.

parent signature

Indicate the level and prize choices below!!

_____ Clearwater Lake - 10 hours - 600+ minutes

- book plate from the library

_____ Lake Waconia - 20 hours - 1200+ minutes/pages

- book from the library • 1 out of uniform pass

_____ Coney Island - 30 hours - 1800+ minutes/pages

- Breakfast! • 1 out of uniform pass (2 total)
- 1 chance in the drawing

_____ Naegele's Park - 40 hours - 2400+ minutes/pages

- Breakfast • 1 out of uniform pass (3 total)
- Recess/treat • 2 chances in the drawing

_____ Paradise of the Northwest - 50+ hours -
3000+ minutes/pages

- Choose 1 \$5 gift certificate from the section below
- 1 out of uniform pass (4 total) • Breakfast
- 3 chances in the drawing

\$5 Certificate Section - choose 1

Waconia Area:

Duebers _____

Frost and Steam _____

Mocha Monkey _____

McDonald's _____

Pizza Ranch _____

Target _____

Eden Prairie Center:

Barnes and Noble _____

Bath and Body Works _____

The Gap _____

Limited, Too _____

1 movie pass to the Waconia Theatre _____

Child's Name _____ Grade (09-10) _____

Summer Readathon Calendar

Record the minutes or pages read in each calendar square and turn this in with your prize information sheet by Friday, September 11, 2009.

June, 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					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				

June
total =

July, 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	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	AUGUST 1

July
total =

August/September, 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	SEPT. 1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	SEPT. 11 FORMS DUE TODAY!!	

August/
September
total =

I kept track of: minutes pages (circle one)

Grand total of minutes or pages read: _____

I verify that my child read the minutes or pages shown above
and qualifies for a prize in the Summer Readathon.

parent signature

Please turn in this calendar with the Readathon prize
sheet to claim your prize! Thank you!