

#### Tuscan Read-A-Thon 2013 "Free to Read"

"Books are the quietest and most constant of friends; they are the most accessible and wisest of counselors, and the most patient of teachers."
Charles W. Eliot, "The Happy Life 1896"

- What are the Read-A-thon Dates? Students will track the amount of time they read per day from February 16<sup>th</sup>-March 1st
- 2. How does the Read-A-Thon work? Students ask sponsors to donate either a lump sum in support of their reading during the two weeks or to donate a certain amount of money (for example: 5 cents per minute) for every minute that you read during the Read-A-thon.
- 3. Why are we doing this? There are TWO reasons why we are doing this!
  - The Read-A-Thon gives students an opportunity to raise money for the school and help fund projects like library programs, cultural arts and artists presentations and author visits and classroom supports.
  - Reading is fun! It frees your imagination, increases your vocabulary, and helps you to improve your concentration and critical thinking skills. Unlike TV, books make you to use your brain. By reading, you think more and become smarter. Participating in TV Turnoff? There is always more time to read!
- 4. Do we have to collect donations to participate? No, No, No! The most important part of a Read-A-Thon is that you READ!

#### Prizes!

The student in each grade who reads the most will be awarded a Tuscan Spirit Pack! That includes a new Tuscan tee shirt, Tuscan cup, 3 tickets for rides at the Tuscan Spring Fair and A Golden Ticket, good for going straight to the front of the line of rides and attractions at the Spring Fair!

All students who participate will be entered in our raffle drawing! First prize= \$25 Words Bookstore gift card Second Prize= \$15 Words Bookstore gift card Third Prize= \$10 Words Bookstore gift card

Questions? Contact Michele Streck michele.streck@yahoo.com

# Submit this completed Log by March 8<sup>th</sup> to be entered for Prizes!

# Free To Read - Tuscan Elementary Read-A-thon 2013 <u>Reading Log</u>

### Student's Name:

Grade: Teacher:

Date:	# of minutes I read today	What I read today	Adult's initials
February 16			
February 17			
February 18			
February 19			
February 20			
February 21			
February 22			
February 23			
February 24			
February 25			
February 26			
February 27			
February 28			
March 1			
TOTAL	Thank you for	Pending	

Recall your Total minutes on your Pledge Log Send this Reading Log to School by 3/8 to be entered for Prizes



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#### How to Collect Read-A-Thon Pledges

When the Read-A-Thon is over on March 1, 2013 it's time to collect your pledges!

Here's what to do:

Step #1: On the Reading Log, total all of the minutes you read each day.

Step #2: Take that number and multiply that by the amount the person pledged. If you need help ask an adult.

Example: Total minutes read= 300 x.05 (5 cents pledged per minute)

Total money owed= \$15.00 (Remember the decimal point!)

Reminder: Not everyone may have pledged the same amount per minute, so be sure you do the math each time the pledge is different. Work with a grown up.

Step #3: Call each person who pledged. Ask that person to send you a check or cash for the amount they owe. Don't forget to say thank you!

Reminder: Checks are made out to Tuscan PTA

Ask them to write Read-A-Thon and your name on the check.

Step #4: Please include the tear off information below, write Read-A-Thon and your name and grade on the envelope. Bring it to school and give it the office or your teacher by March 8, 2013.

Step #5: Thank you! You're done! You've helped the school achieve its goal! Give yourself a big pat on the back! Questions? Contact Michele Streck, Michele.streck@yahoo.com

Tuscan Elementary Read-A-Thon Pledge Collection Total

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Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Minutes Read:\_\_\_\_\_ Total Pledges Raised: \$\_\_\_\_\_\_



### Free To Read! Tuscan Elementary Read-A-Thon

## <u>Pledge</u> Log

## <u>Student's</u> <u>Name:</u>

<u>Grade:</u>

## <u>Teacher:</u>

Sponsor's Name	Phone Number	Pledge amount Per Minute of Reading or Lump Sum

Total Pledges collected and record on the other side of this form (turn over)