

Mr. Gerlach's Reading Challenge 2018 -2019

Calling all Superstar Readers!

Mr. Gerlach is challenging all DBES students to participate in his Reading Challenge. The purpose of this challenge is to promote "at home" reading during the school year. Our goal is to build reading skills, comprehension, and fluency, and to encourage opportunities for our students to experience the fun of reading for personal pleasure and to gain information.

Primary students (Head Start, Kindergarten, 1^{st} and 2^{nd} grade) are encouraged to use their reading skills daily at home and listen to someone read to them or read books by themselves. It is recommended that they read for 15-20 minutes a day. Listening to a story or reading independently helps increase reading skills.

Intermediate students (3rd through 5th grade) should read for 20 – 30 minutes a day. Students should read a wide variety of literature. Reading fluency and vocabulary acquisition is built through reading novels, informational texts, poetry, and magazines.

Students will bring home a record sheet to log the number of minutes they read or listen to a story each day at home. Simply fill in the form and return it to school and your child's minutes will be recorded. The top readers in each grade level will be awarded each quarter.

There is a reading celebration scheduled at the end of the year that your child will not want to miss. To attend this celebration your child must meet their grade level reading goal by May 11, 2020.

The first reading log is due at the end of September to your child's teacher. Extra forms can be found on our website.

Grade Levels	Reading Goals By May 11, 2018
Head Start & Kindergarten, & A-	2,000 Minutes
Team	
1 st Grade	2,000 Minutes
2 nd Grade	3,000 Minutes
3 rd Grade	3,000 Minutes
4 th Grade	4,000 Minutes
5 th Grade	4,000 Minutes

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Rothberger.