

## Country Hills' Annual Read-A-Thon!

## Dear Parents,

Country Hills Panthers are readers! Our students participate in a variety of reading programs ("Paws" for Reading, Reading across Broward, Sunshine State Young Reader and Sunshine State Young Reader Junior, Pizza Hut's Book It) throughout the school year. Developing good reading habits is a critical skill for all students and one Country Hills is determined to support. This month we will celebrate reading with our yearly Books & Burgers Night on Thursday, October 11, 2018.

We have two reading goals for our students. Kindergarteners through 2<sup>nd</sup> graders are to read (or listen to) 2,400 minutes, while 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade students are to read 4,800 minutes. Students who read those minutes, complete their Reading across Broward sheet (100 picture books for K-2, 50 chapter books for 3-5), read at least 3 Sunshine State Young Reader Award books or participate in this Read-A-Thon are <u>rewarded</u> at our <u>END</u> OF YEAR READING CELEBRATIONS!

\*\*\*All proceeds from our Read-A-Thon go towards helping us create **END OF YEAR READING CELEBRATIONS** for each grade.

Attached is our annual Read-A-Thon information. It's really easy to participate! Students are to ask "sponsors" (i.e. family members and friends, even themselves!) to pledge money for minutes the student reads during the Read-A-Thon period. Specific donations such as \$5 or \$10 are also accepted. An example of a pledge is: \$.05 per minute X 200 minutes read = \$10.

After a family member or friend agrees to sponsor you, fill out the Sponsor Pledge form with their name and pledge amount. Then read, read! Remember to log all of your reading minutes on the special READ-A-THON reading calendar along with Beanstack.

When the READ-A-THON ends, call your sponsors and ask for their donations. Checks should be made out to "Country Hills Elementary PTA". We hope you choose to join the fun and help our school continue our annual Reading Celebrations.

Mrs. Caryn Cuadra