2023 SUNNY HILLS EAGER READER PROGRAM FAMILY INFORMATION SHEET

Eager Reader is a voluntary reading program sponsored by the Sunny Hills PTA. The 4-week program is designed to encourage students to read for their enjoyment outside of school by offering fun incentives along the way. As students reach certain goals, they will be rewarded with prizes including bookmarks, books, book fair gift certificates, and more! See the attached prize level sheet for details. **Eager Reader will run from January 11, 2023 to February 7, 2023**.

You will find instructions on how to log minutes online in this packet. Please help your child read through the instructions and log their reading minutes by clicking on the Eager Reader link on the PTA website (www.sunnyhillspta.org). Prizes will be delivered weekly. Minutes must be logged by 10 PM each week on Tuesday and approved by a parent to count!

Students can expect to reach a new prize level by reading the minutes listed on the log sheet. Keep in mind these goals are aimed at a broad group. Children will achieve the levels at different times. Remember to count the minutes your student reads on his/her own and/or with a grown-up.

To encourage students to continue reading after earning their level 5 incentive we will be holding a raffle. <u>The raffle will include Scholastic Book fair gift cards and a Kindle E-Reader!</u> Students will earn one virtual raffle ticket for completing level 1, one for completing level 5, and then one for every 100 minutes read after reaching level 5. The more they read, the better the odds! Students should continue to log their minutes each week until February 7th so our parent volunteers can keep track of the virtual raffle tickets earned.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do we have to participate?

No – Eager Reader is a voluntary program.

What if we forget to log minutes by 10 PM on Tuesday?

No problem, just keep track of minutes until the next week and your classroom volunteer will account for the previously missed week.

What if I forget to approve my child's minutes by 10 PM on Tuesday?

Your child's minutes will be counted the following week.

What is the attached paper reading log meant for?

The reading log included in this packet is NOT to be returned to school. It is meant to keep track of minutes at home if you can't enter them online right away! Please do not send it back to school!

How will my child get his/her prizes this year?

The prizes will be distributed at the end of every week during the program. Books will be selected for the students based on their age group.

Thank you for your support and participation! Happy Reading!!

Entering Your Eager Reader Minutes Online

We will be entering all our reading minutes online. Please make sure your PTA account is active and you have assigned teachers to your students on your PTA profile. You will not be able to enter your child's minutes until they are associated with a teacher in your PTA profile. If you have any questions or do not have access to a computer and the internet at home, please contact Suchitra Nair / Reshmi Pillai at eagereader@sunnyhillspta.org.

Student Instructions:

- 1. Please record your minutes at home if you can. Ask your parents for permission to use a home computer, laptop, or tablet (iPad, Surface, etc.) to enter your Eager Reader minutes. Also ask them to watch as you do it for the first time, so that they can help you as needed.
- 2. Open a web browser (Edge, Internet Explorer, Google Chrome, Firefox, or Safari). Go to the PTA website at SunnyHillsPTA.org and click on the "Eager Reader" link on the homepage. Then click on "Eager Reader" Student Entry.
- 3. When you are prompted for the student **password**, type in **blue** and press Next.
- 4. Enter your first and last name and choose your grade and teacher.
- 5. Now you will see your reading log. Enter the minutes you read each day, and press "Save".
- 6. The minutes you entered will show up as "Pending". This means we are waiting for parent approval. Your parents will get an email asking them to approve your minutes about 30 minutes after they are recorded. Remind them to open the email and approve your minutes, otherwise, they will not count!
- 7. You can visit your online reading log as you wish during the week to enter additional minutes. All your minutes for the week must be entered and approved by *Tuesday at 10 PM each week*. If you miss this deadline, your minutes will be counted the following week.

Parent Instructions:

To Enter Minutes For Your Child:

If your child is too young to use a computer, you may enter his/her minutes for them.

- 1. Go to the PTA website at **SunnyHillsPTA.org** and click on the "Eager Reader" link on the Homepage, then click on the "Eager Reader Parent Entry/Approval of Minutes" link.
- 2. You will need to log in to your account on the PTA webpage using your email address and PTA password. If you have forgotten your password, click the "Forgot your password?" link. If you do not have an account, you will need to create one (you do not need to join the PTA to do so).
- 3. You will see all your students listed. Click on one of them to go to their reading log.
 - a. If you do not see your student listed once logged into your PTA account, click "My Account" on the top left of the side menu bar. Here you will see a place to add a new student with a grade and teacher name.
- 4. Enter their minutes and press Save. These minutes are automatically considered to be "approved".
- 5. Weekly reading minutes must be entered by *Tuesday at 10 PM each week* to count! If you miss this deadline, your child's minutes may be counted the following week.

To Approve Minutes That Your Child Entered:

We encourage students to record their own minutes if possible. **But you must** *approve* **their minutes for them to count**. When your student enters their minutes, you will get an email asking for your approval.

- 1. The email you receive will contain a link for you to click on. This link will take you to the PTA website to approve your child's minutes.
- 2. When you arrive at the PTA website, you will need to sign in using your email address and PTA password. If you have forgotten your password, click the "Forgot your password?" link.
- 3. You will see all your students listed. Click on one of them to go to their reading log.
- 4. Check the "Approve" boxes next to the minutes that you wish to approve, and press Save.
- 5. Weekly reading minutes must be approved by *Tuesday at 10 PM each week* in order to count! If you miss this deadline, your child's minutes may be counted the following week.

Questions or problems? Please contact us at the email addresses above.

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January 11 – February 7

MINUTES AND PRIZE LEVELS per GRADE LEVEL

Grade Minutes/Day (to reach Level 4)	Prizes	К 15	1 st 20	2 nd 22	3 rd 25	4 th 30	5 th 35
Level 1	Bookmark	105	140	154	175	210	245
Level 2	Scented Pencils	210	280	308	350	420	490
Level 3	Finger Light	315	420	462	525	630	735
Level 4	Red Robin Certificate or equivalent	420	560	616	700	840	980
Level 5	Book*	525	700	770	875	1050	1225

^{*}Books will be chosen by the students during 2nd recess on Fridays.

Grand Prize Drawing for a Kindle E-Reader!!

Other raffle prizes include \$25 Scholastic book fair gift cards!

1st raffle ticket for completing Level 1

2nd raffle ticket for completing Level 5

Additional raffle tickets awarded for every 100 minutes read beyond Level 5

2023 Eager Reader	Name

REMINDER -- This reading log can be used at home to keep track of minutes read if you can't enter them online right away, but <u>it DOES NOT get turned in each</u> week. Instead, follow the instructions to enter minutes online at SunnyHillsPTA.org. If you do not have access to a computer and internet connection at home, don't worry! Talk to your teacher, and she/he will help you.

Week 1

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
1/11- Eager Reader Program starts	12	13	14	15	16	17 – Log online and get your parents to approve minutes by 10 PM!

Week 2

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
18	19	20	21	22	23	24 – Log online and get your parents to approve minutes by 10 PM!

Week 3

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 – Log online and get your parents to approve minutes by 10 PM!

Week 4

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
2/1	2	3	4	5	6	7 – Log online and get your parents to approve minutes by 10 PM!