

# Get Ready for Reading Olympics at JGES!

Reading Olympics is an academic competition for 4th and 5th grade students which promotes reading comprehension, stamina, goal setting, etiquette, and teamwork! Each year a list of 30 Reading Olympics books are selected by a committee of Hanover Librarians. The books range in reading ability from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup>

grade. They cover a variety of genres, including narrative nonfiction, biography, folklore, mystery, fantasy, historical fiction, science fiction and realistic fiction. The books range in length from 32 pages to over 300. Participating students are placed on teams where all members work to read all 30 books collectively. Each member of the team contributes to the overall success. In April, teams compete to answer questions about the books they read. The top 3 teams are awarded medals.

Similar to the Olympics, students will undergo qualification, training, and competition phases.

## **Qualification Phase:**

During the qualification phase, students earn a spot on a team.

To earn a spot they must:

 Read and document <u>3 books</u> from the Reading Olympics list by December 5. Forms for documentation are available in the library and on the school website. Documentation can be done either at home or during designated times in library class.

Documentation forms must be turned in to Mrs. Churchill by December 5 in order to be placed on a team.

#### **Training Phase:**

Students who have qualified will be organized into teams and will begin training for the competition. During the training phase, students continue to read and document books and they meet with their teams to prepare for the competition. Teams will meet during the school day.

#### **Competition Phase:**

On April 20, 2023, teams will compete to answer questions about the Reading Olympics books. Points will be awarded to teams who answer correctly. The top 3 teams will earn gold, silver, and bronze medals at the medal ceremony following the competition.

### I want my child to participate. What do I do now?

**1st**- Complete and turn in the permission form on the back.

**2nd**- Have your child begin reading a book from the list. When they finish the book, have them document it on one of the documentation forms. (repeat this 3 times)

Questions? Email Mrs. Churchill at <a href="mailto:lchurchill@hcps.us">lchurchill@hcps.us</a>

Student's name	_ Grade: 4 5
Student's house: Tatonka Mar Gratos Huruma Kula Teacher:	
Student t-shirt size: Youth S Youth M Youth L Adult S Adult M	Adult L Adult XL
Parent Name: Pa	arent cell:
Parent email:	
Parent signature	

I give my permission for my child to participate in JGES Reading Olympics.

Please return this form to Mrs. Churchill.