

# SCHOLASTIC READ-A-PALOOZA SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

## Welcome to the 2019 Scholastic Read-A-Palooza Summer Reading Challenge!

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Did you know that when kids read over the summer they are more likely to leap ahead when they return to school? This is often called the "summer leap," and we've made it a priority to keep your child's skills sharp by encouraging them to read all summer long.

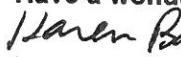
This year, our school signed up to participate in the **Scholastic Read-a-Palooza Summer Reading Challenge**, a free online reading program that invites students to keep track of their reading minutes all summer long. By participating this year, our goal is two-fold: for our students to read the most minutes possible in an effort for our school to earn the title "Best in State," and to help unlock book donations for kids in need across the country through the Scholastic Read-a-Palooza Summer Reading Give Back! When children participating in the Summer Reading Challenge collectively reach minute milestones (25, then 50, then 100 million minutes), Scholastic will donate at least 200,000 books nationwide. So the more our school reads, the more kids we help!

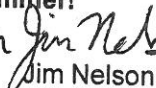
Within our MA community, our hope is for students to have fun reading the most minutes possible. The grade with the highest total minutes logged will win a fun and fabulous prize and if the entire Lower School can reach 250,000 Minutes logged everyone wins a prize. Additionally, when students enter their reading minutes throughout the summer, they will earn digital rewards, and gain access to fun videos, activities, and more! You'll also find summer booklists for all ages (in English and Spanish) on the Challenge website.

Your student's username and password along with log in directions can be found on the following page. *If your student forgets their login information please contact Mrs. Schlacter ([schlactercaitlin@minnehahaacademy.net](mailto:schlactercaitlin@minnehahaacademy.net)) or Mrs. Besser ([bessersusan@minnehahaacademy.net](mailto:bessersusan@minnehahaacademy.net)).*

We invite you to learn more about the Summer Reading Challenge at [scholastic.com/summer](http://scholastic.com/summer). You can also visit [scholastic.com/readapalooza](http://scholastic.com/readapalooza) to learn more about the Summer Reading Give Back, and how Scholastic is working to expand book access for families nationwide.

Have a wonderful summer!

  
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