



***SCHOOL WIDE PROGRAM**
Read Across America: One School, One Book*

Dear Lafayette Mills Families:

Next month, to celebrate Read Across America, our school will be embarking on a special project, a school-wide book club called **One School, One Book**[®]. Thanks to our PTA, every family will receive **one** copy of the same book and a reading schedule so that you can keep up at home. Generally, you will be asked to read about 15 minutes each night. The March school calendar notes the book chapters and spirit days to follow. We are personally asking you to make the time so that your family can participate in this special activity.

Reading aloud at home is valuable because it better prepares your child to be an effective reader, and it is also a fun, worthwhile family activity. Everyone – students, parents, teachers, even administrative staff – will literally all be on the same page.

In school, your child will be invited to answer **daily trivia questions** to encourage and reward attentive listening. You will soon find that your child will take pride in knowing and anticipating the details of the story. In class, students may explore the book through activities and discussion. You will want to make sure your family keeps up so that your child can be included. There will also be optional activities emailed at a later date. All students that participate will receive a certificate and prize.

Throughout the month, everyone will be talking about **Stuart Little**. We have selected a title that can be followed and understood and enjoyed by younger students, but will still captivate and stimulate older children.

We know that you'll enjoy this special reading time with your children. When a whole school reads a book, there's a lot to talk about.

With your help, we can build a Community of Readers in our school district.

Thank you for your support,
Mrs. Pierciey and Miss Singer

Every Family. Every School. Every Night.[®]