

ALL-STAR Readers

How To Use This Reading Log

Students should read each night for 20 minutes. They can read for longer periods of time if they choose, but only a maximum of 20 minutes will be counted toward each level.

Reading can be accomplished in various ways, such as:

- orally, to an adult;
- independent silent reading;
- shared reading (child and parent share reading and listening).

When the reading has been completed, parents are invited to help their child *complete the reading log sheet*. Students are encouraged to read a variety of books and genres.

Sample Types of Reading Materials	Sample Genres
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ short stories ▪ novels ▪ magazines ▪ comics ▪ poetry ▪ newspapers, brochures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ fiction (folktales, fairytales, fables, myths, mysteries, science fiction, historical fiction) ▪ non-fiction (biography, auto-biography, science)

Enclosed is a *STARS score card* to be completed as follows:

- Letter S = 6 hours of reading
- Letter T = 12 hours
- Letter A = 18 hours
- Letter R = 24 hours
- Letter S = 30 hours



*BONUS: Students will receive rewards for their accomplishments!

For Achieving Each Level	For Achieving All Five Levels
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Reward stickers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ STAR certificate; ▪ Star pencil; ▪ Photo to be taken for our All-Star Reader bulletin board.

*NOTE: **The Reading Log will be collected at the end of each month.**

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