



Dear Parents or Guardian,

We are excited to announce that the Utah Jazz and Scholastic Book Fairs®, along with Russell's Ice Cream, Med One Capital, Dairy Council of Utah & Nevada, and Papa John's, have invited our school to participate in a reading contest in the Utah area to get kids reading more.

And, as if improving reading skills wasn't enough of a prize, the top 10 schools with the highest average minutes-read-per-student will receive a visit from a Utah Jazz player and an ice cream party from Russell's Ice Cream, cheese sticks and a black and white Holstein cow bean bag reading chair for their school library from Dairy Council of Utah & Nevada, with additional incentives for all participating schools provided by Papa John's.

But we need your help to make this contest a slam dunk for our school!

Here's how it works and where you come in:

- Students earn "points" for the school for every minute they read at home, so be sure to encourage them and read with them! The more minutes your child and other students in our school read, the higher we will place in the contest.
- You can also include minutes you or an older child read aloud—just be sure that your child is listening attentively while you read to them.
- Each week a reading slip will be sent home with your child. Please record the number of minutes read each day. Then, sign and return the slip with your child the following week.
- Slips will be accepted until the beginning of school on February 17, 2016. **To help our school stay organized, it is important to sign the slip each week. No slip will be accepted without a parent or guardian signature.**

The contest begins January 15, 2016, and will continue for four weeks until February 16, 2016. At the end of the four weeks, the Utah Jazz and Scholastic Book Fairs will compile each school's score by dividing its total minutes read with school enrollment.

As a school staff, we are very excited to be involved in the **Be a Team Player – Read!** contest. Thank you for being a part of it!