**Reading Bingo Blackout**

**What is Reading Bingo?**

Reading Bingo is an optional reading incentive program designed to motivate and reward students for

reading a variety of books. Students will not receive a grade for participating, and participation is not

required.

**How does it work?**

Early in the school year, students will be given their first Reading Bingo card. Each time the student

reads a book in one of the categories, write the title of the book in that space. When the entire card is

filled out, have a parent, guardian, or teacher sign the bottom and return the card to the library. Each

time the student completes a card; he/she will receive a prize and advance to the next level. Completed

cards will be kept in a binder in the library.

**Why are there specific reading categories on the card?**

Listing reading categories serves two purposes: it encourages students to use the library catalog to find

different kinds of books, and it encourages them to read books about a wide variety of topics.

**Other important information**

* You may read the books in any order on your card and choose any titles that fit the categories. The books may come from any source (SVES library, public library, book fair, classroom, friends, home, etc.).
* The cards should be signed only when they are completely filled out (before they are turned in to the library). Please do not sign cards until all the spaces on the card are completely filled in.
* Each grade will have different book categories on their Bingo cards. There are six card levels (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple) for each grade. You may not skip levels.
* Any book read **by** or **to** the student between **May 25, 2018** and **April 19, 2019** may count. (Even older students like to be read to every now and then!) Books used for other reading programs (Six Flags Reading, Book It, etc.) also can be used.
* Books read in class, by teachers, by a librarian, for class assignments, or in a book club may also count.
* The program ends on **Friday, April 19, 2019**. No new books or cards will be accepted after **April 19th**.
* Your card must be completely full and contain a parent, guardian, or teacher’s signature before you can turn it in. Partially completed or unsigned cards will not count.
* Turn in your card in the library during your library class time or before/after school. You will get a new card (color-coded for the next level) when you turn in your completed card.
* Each book counts only once. You may not repeat the same book on two separate cards.
* IMPORTANT! Students are not allowed to turn in completed Bingo cards until they have worked on the card for at least **two** weeks. When a student first receives a new card, a date will be stamped on the upper right corner. No cards will be accepted before that date has passed. This ensures that students are not racing through their books just to receive a prize.

**Prizes**

Red level—prize and red paw on the board

Orange level— prize and orange paw on the board

Yellow level— prize and yellow paw on the board

Green level— prize and green paw on the board

Blue level— prize and blue paw on the board

Purple level— prize, purple paw on the board, and Reading Bingo party

**Contact Information**

Please contact Mrs. Bennett, school librarian, if you have any questions regarding the program.

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