

Orlando Science Schools

“Blast Off with Books”

19-20 Grades K-6 Reading Incentive Program



“We shouldn't teach great books; we should teach a love of reading.”

-B.F. Skinner, Inventor

Our primary goal of implementing this reward program is that each and every student at Orlando Science feels encouraged and challenged to read. The “Blast Off with Books” program was created to encourage student reading through a rewards program and unite readers and the school. Readers are rewarded for the number of Accelerated Reader points (AR) and Sunshine State Books they read within a specific time period. AR Celebrations may vary from grade to grade. Parent volunteers are encouraged to help with celebrations, after being ADDitions approved.

Students can use their OSES Connect login to access the AR program at:
<https://hosted322.renlearn.com/2598065/> or <http://bit.ly/osesarbook>

We challenge students to read at least 10 Sunshine State Books and pass their AR tests for that book. The SSYRA is determined based off AR results.

Details for the program are below.

A.R. Program Date Ranges

Quarter 1: 08/12/2019 -
10/20/2019

Quarter 2: 10/21/2019 -
01/05/2020

Quarter 3: 01/06/2020 -
03/22/2020

Quarter 4: 03/23/2020 -
05/17/2020



Minimum points needed to meet quarterly goal:

Kindergarten (6 Points)

4th Grade (30 Points)

1st Grade (12 Points)

5th Grade (36 Points)

2nd Grade (18 Points)

6th Grade (42 Points)

3rd Grade (24 Points)

Minimum points needed to meet yearly goal:

Kindergarten (24 Points)

4th Grade (120 Points)

1st Grade (48 Points)

5th Grade (168 Points)

2nd Grade (72 Points)

6th Grade (168 Points)

3rd Grade (96 Points)

**Minimum books read to meet the Florida Sunshine State Readers challenge
(must pass the AR tests for the books):**

Kindergarten (10 Books)

4th Grade (10 Books)

1st Grade (10 Books)

5th Grade (10 Books)

2nd Grade (10 Books)

6th Grade (10 Books)

3rd Grade (10 Books)



Sunshine State Young Readers Award Books 2019-2020

List for Grades K-2 [K-2 SSYRA](#)

List for Grades 3-5 [3-4 SSYRA](#)

The Ambrose Deception by Emily Ecton
Annie's Life in Lists by Kristin Mahoney
Ben Franklin's in my Bathroom! by Candace Fleming
The Bicycle Spy by Yona Zeldis McDonough
Bob by Wendy Mass & Rebecca Stead
Cosmic Commandos by Christopher Eliopoulos
Dragon with a Chocolate Heart by Stephanie Burgis
Enginerds by Jarrett Lerner
Ghost Attack by David Lubar
Sled Dog School by Terry Lynn Johnson
Stella Diaz has Something to Say by Angela Dominguez
Superstar by Mandy Davis
Survival Tails: The Titanic by Katrina Charman
Tumble & Blue by Cassie Beasley
Wedgie & Gizmo by Suzanne Selfors

List for Grades 6-8 [6-8 SSYRA](#)

24 Hours in Nowhere by Dusti Bowling
The Adventurers Guild by Zack Loran Clark
All's Faire in Middle School by Victoria Jamieson
Boy X by Dan Smith
Breakout by Kate Messner
Captain Superlative by J.S. Puller
Elephant Secret by Eric Walters
Ethan Marcus Stands Up by Michele Weber Hurwitz
Greetings from Witness Protection by Jake Burt
Ivy Aberdeen's Letter to the World by Ashley Herring Blake
Knockout by K.A Holt
Nightbooks by J.A. White
Playing Atari with Saddam Hussein by Jennifer Roy
Slider by Pete Hautman
Small Spaces by Katherine Arden

Tips for Encouraging Reading

- Let your student choose what to read
- Talk about what your student is reading
- Visit the library or bookstore together
- Model reading
- Have books at home
- Make reading a natural part of the day's activities
- Look for books that broaden your student's horizon. These can be the basis for discussion about different cultures, socioeconomic conditions, and beliefs
- Sit next to your child so you can share the illustrations in a picture book

Teachers will continue to encourage their students to read in class and may offer additional reading incentives.

Students are encouraged to get an OCLS library card: www.ocls.info



Now Prepare for Blast Off!