



# "PAWS to READ"

Reading Incentive Program  
Thurmont Primary School



- Who:** Every student at Thurmont Primary School and their families!
- What:** "PAWS to READ" is our school's reading incentive program.
- When:** "PAWS to READ" will start on Monday, September 9, 2019. Students will bring home their September reading card on Friday, September 6, 2019.
- Where:** Students will read and record the number of minutes read at home.
- Why:** Students who read every day become better readers. Research shows that students who read more become fluent readers and enjoy reading. Encourage your child to be a reader!
- How:** Each month students will receive a reading card. Students will read and write the number of minutes they have read on their reading card each day. At the end of the month, students will turn in their reading card to their teacher. **Each student who REACHES THE GRADE LEVEL MONTHLY GOAL will receive a BOOK CHARM.**
- Goal:** TPS has set monthly reading goals for students in each grade level
- Pre K Goal = 150 minutes
  - Kindergarten Goal = 200 minutes
  - 1st grade Goal = 250 minutes
  - 2nd grade Goal = 300 minutes

- Students can record minutes that they read by themselves, minutes they read with a parent, or minutes that someone reads to them at home. Reading to children is a very valuable activity because as an experienced reader you are modeling good reading behaviors.
- **Parents** should **total the number of minutes read** at the end of the each week and at the end of the month **THEN SIGN the CARD.**
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