

Readers Rally Information for PMES 09-10

What is the Readers Rally?

Readers Rally is a quiz bowl style competition for students in grades 4 – 12. At PMES we will ask 4-5 graders to participate. Students read books from a predetermined list (see below) and answer questions about those books. **Each Gwinnett County school may send one team of up to 10 players to the Readers Rally county competition.**

2009-2010 Book List- 20 books total- Students must read all 20 & participate in weekly meetings. Books can be obtained through our school library, public library, Borders bookstore at the Mall of Ga., online, or any other place that sells books.

26 Fairmount Avenue
Elizabeth Leads the Way
Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes
Among the Hidden
Last of the Really Great Whangdoodles
The Dish Ran Away With The Spoon
Coolies
Cracker: the Best Dog in Vietnam
Henry's Freedom Box
Island of the Blue Dolphins
Seaman : The Dog Who Explored the West with Lewis & Clark
The Rising Star of the Rusty Nail
Time For Andrew
Owen & Mzee: The Language of Friendship
A Crooked Kind of Perfect
On My Honor
Rules
The Pinballs
View from Saturday
Week in the Woods

How are the lists of books determined for each level?

Elementary school teams use a list created each year by a Gwinnett committee

When and where is the Readers Rally?

School meetings will be held weekly from 2:40pm-3:40pm on Thursday afternoons. Location to be announced.

Attendance:

Attendance is a must. If you feel that you will not be able to meet on all the dates, we ask that you do not apply. One absence will be allowed. If there is more than one, you run the risk of being asked to leave.

Remember your group needs you to be there to share in the learning and fun.

The county competition for the 2010 Readers Rally is on Feb. 20 at Berkmar High School. Opening Ceremonies begin at 9:00 a.m. The competition wraps up by 2:00. Students wanting to participate in the club should hold this date available in case they are asked to attend.

How many students are needed to have a team?

Five students compete at a time. You may bring up to 10 students to the competition and substitute between rounds. Many schools begin with more than 10 students and narrow down to a competition team of 10 for the Rally. ***Please note, not all students will go to the county competition, we will have a school competition in January to determine the top 10 students who will join us for the county competition in February.***

Activities to help prepare for county competition:

- Each meeting we will have a snack & drink.
- Quiz bowl to help prepare using buzzers.
- Online book activities
- Creating new book covers for the books
- Possible author fair
- Creating posters/displays about the books
- Story Maps
- T-shirt contest for our team t-shirt to represent our school at the county competition

-Kickoff celebration at the Gwinnett Braves game

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