

Dear Parents and Students,



We are excited to start our reading program for the 2011-2012 school year. We are again combining the Bee-A-Reader and Ken Garff Road to Success programs. The programs are designed to give teachers and parents a tool to encourage our young students to learn and improve their reading skills, in order to become great thinkers and enhance their scholastic careers. Some important things to know for this year's program:

- Start day for all four tracks is **August 1st**.
- Each month will have a reading goal. The reading goal can easily be reached by reading *20 minutes* a day *5 days a week*, and is located on each calendar. Watch for calendars to be on the PTA website at www.graniteschools.org/el/beehive/pta/.
- Calendars are due on the first Friday of the month or the first Friday back on track.
- A total of **3600 minutes** must be read by **April 6, 2012** to receive your medallion and book.
- Ken Garff & Walmart will be providing 4 bikes to be given away at the end of the school year in a drawing. Read 5 days a week for 1 entry slip or 7 days a week for 2 entry slips.
- Any reading done at home, including reading as a family and homework, can count toward Bee-A Reader minutes. Reading done in any language can count.
- The last day to accept any Bee-A-Reader calendars is **April 13th**.

Frequently asked Questions:

- What if I miss a day? Catch up by reading extra on another day.
 - Can I read more than the monthly reading goal? Yes, extra minutes will be added to your grand total.
 - What if I don't reach the monthly reading goal? Turn in the minutes you did read they will still count toward the grand total.
 - Do I need to reach every monthly reading goal to receive the medallion and book? No, but you will miss out on the monthly recognition.
 - If I read 3 days one week and 2 days the next week, do I earn an entry slip? No, you must read the 5 days during the same week to earn an entry slip or 7 days during the same week to earn 2 entry slips.
 - What if I turn in a calendar late? Monthly recognition may not be received but your minutes will still count toward your grand total and entry slips if earned.
- No calendars will be accepted after April 13th.**

We hope you enjoy reading together and look forward to another fun year.

Remember Bee-A-Reader on the Road to Success.



The PTA Bee-A-Reader Ladies