

READING OLYMPICS



Dear Students and Guardians,

I am excited to announce that **fourth, fifth and sixth graders at Jenkintown Elementary School** will be participating in the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit's **Reading Olympics!** This has been a tremendously successful program that encourages children to read. Last year over 1,000 students participated from 21 school districts! Students from all over the county will work in groups to read 25 books from the Reading Olympics list. Teams will compete to answer comprehension questions about the books.

This year, beginning in December, teams will meet on a weekly basis during lunch/recess. Students will work with coaches to tackle the book list, discuss books and prepare for the big event that will be held in the spring. Of the 25 books assigned this year, JES has many of the books available digitally on MackinVia. Hard copies of ALL of the books are available in the JES library.

Please return signed contracts to the school library and complete a question form for your first book by NOVEMBER 21st. Teams will be formed and practices will begin in December. Each student and a guardian must sign the contract below to participate. As in any activity, we need to know that our team members are committed! Team members promise to read books, attend meetings and participate in the final event. Each team's success depends on each and every member!

Sincerely,

Kristen McNamara
School Library Media Specialist



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CONTRACT

YES, I want to participate in Reading Olympics. I understand that I will have to read at least 5 books and attend meetings every week. I am **required** to attend the Reading Olympics event in the spring, date TBD.

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE _____ CLASS _____

YES, I want my child to participate in Reading Olympics. I understand my student's obligations including attending the competition in the spring.

GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE _____