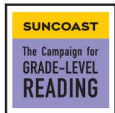




3rd Grade Reading Success Matters

Suncoast Campaign for Grade-Level Reading (SCGLR)

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READING IS THE KEY TO SUCCEEDING



"The image of the lioness was a huge comfort and helped me change the way I viewed myself and my family's journey. Single mothers are hunting for food, caring for their young, fending off danger--they are able to do it by relying on one another. Lionesses' resourcefulness and power become emblematic of the spirit of single motherhood. if you think of yourself as part of a larger pride, sharing ideas and championing others, you will succeed in ways beyond your wildest dreams." - Joy Thomas Moore, author of *The Power of Presence*

-- THE POWER OF PRESENCE --
You still have time to join!



MIND in the Making



FREE WORKSHOPS

Mind in the Making
currently enrolling:

Team Zeal -- Palmetto

Wednesdays
6:30pm - 9:00pm

Team Cosy -- SRQ

Tuesdays
4:00pm - 8:00pm

Three "Whoody Whoos" to each student, parent, school, volunteer, and community member who has helped make the 2018-19 Attendance Awareness Poster Contest incredible: Whoody Who! Whoody Who! Whoody Who!

In honor of Attendance Awareness Month in September, the Suncoast Campaign for Grade-Level Reading hosts an Attendance Awareness Poster Contest to promote outstanding attendance habits and help students and parents understand why going to school every day matters. In total, 49,911 students from 82 elementary schools in the four counties participated. The theme for this year's contest was "Strive for Less Than Five Days Absent" to encourage students and their parents to set goals for the school year.

"Creating an original piece of artwork for the Attendance Awareness Poster Contest gives students an engaging way to internalize the importance of attending school every day," said Beth Duda, director of the Suncoast Campaign for Grade-Level Reading for The Patterson Foundation. "The messages the students incorporate into their posters serve as a reminder for parents and families that outstanding attendance is an important component in realizing their hopes and dreams for their children."

In addition to an iPad, [each regional winner](#) will receive four tickets to a Major League Baseball spring training game in their region as a gift from the Suncoast Campaign for Grade-Level Reading through support from The Patterson Foundation. Regional winners will also receive recognition at school board meetings in their respective counties.

Since the Suncoast Campaign for Grade-Level Reading's inaugural poster contest in 2015, nearly 200,000 posters have been created by students from Charlotte, DeSoto, Manatee, and Sarasota counties.

7:00am - 10:00am

DeSoto County Fair

February 6
5:00pm - 9:00pm

Arcadia Housing Authority Open House

February 8
10:00am - 1:00pm

Kindergarten Round-up! at Wilkinson Elementary

February 26
5:30pm - 7:00pm



All Faiths Food Bank Mobile Distribution

Booker Middle

February 4
4:00pm - 5:30

Good Shepherd Episcopal Church

February 6
10:00am - 11:30am

Brentwood Elementary

February 11
4:30pm - 6:00pm

Grace Church

February 14
9:00am - 10:30am

Seventh-Day Adventist Church

February 21
10:00am - 12:00pm

RING RING...CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS

HOT OFF THE PRESS! SCGLR needs volunteers to join us as we prepare Kindergarten Readiness Bags for incoming kindergartners in Sarasota, Manatee, Charlotte, and DeSoto counties.

These materials are designed for parent-child interactions to help the little ones transition between pre-k and kindergarten.



Get a sneak peek into nearly 20 tools that help kids succeed in school.

[ACCESS THE SCGLR VOLUNTEER CALENDAR TO REGISTER](#)

We welcome your thoughts. Contact us at info@GradeLevelReadingSuncoast.net.