



Read-A-Thon



Read to Feed Your Neighbors!

K-8 Read-A-Thon Fundraiser in April

The Hancock County Food Drive is an annual month-long food collection and fundraising project that supports 20 food pantries, free meal programs, and school backpack programs across the county. With the help of volunteers, these organizations work together to raise funds and collect food, providing critical assistance to Mainers during a time of year when food insecurity rates are at their highest.

This year we want to give local kids the chance to contribute to fundraising efforts through our **Read-A-Thon!** Over the month of April, kids have the chance to *fundraise for every page they read*. Whether you're sharing read-aloud storytime or sponsoring a child to read to themselves, this is the perfect chance to celebrate books and give back. Here are the steps:

1. **Register** your child [HERE](#)
2. **Collect** your Read-A-Thon packet from one of our partner sites, or by visiting www.hcfooddrive.org. Packets include:
 - a. "My Reading List" scorecard to keep track of pages read
 - b. Book Recommendation List
 - c. Instructions for online submission of funds raised
3. Help your child find one or more **sponsors** (this can be family members, neighbors, etc.) who agree to pledge a certain amount of money per page read
4. **Donate** funds raised using our [online platform](#) at the end of April
5. In mid-May, all participants will receive a "thank you" **goodie bag!**

Partner Sites

Blue Hill Public Library, Ellsworth Public Library, Frenchman's Bay Library, Jesup Memorial Library, Southwest Harbor Library

PRIZE!

*The child who reads the most number of pages will win a gift certificate to their local book store! **Winner will be announced Friday, May 7th.***

TO LEARN MORE, VISIT WWW.HCFOODDRIVE.ORG

QUESTIONS? CONTACT CHLOE AT CHLOE.GORDON@HEALTHYACADIA.ORG








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Book Recommendation List



Picture Books

-  The Gardener *by Sarah Stewart*
 The Imperfect Garden
by Mellisa Assalay
  Bring Me Some Apples and I'll
Make You a Pie *by Robin Gourley*
 One Morning in Maine
by Robert McCloskey
 What's On Your Plate?
by Whitney Stewart
 Miss Rumphius *by Barbara Cooney*
 Weslandia *by Paul Fleischman*
 Creepy Carrots! *by Aaron Reynolds*
 Strega Nona *by Tomie dePaola*






Read Aloud

-  Fry Bread *by Kevin Noble Maillard*
 Here We Are *by Oliver Jeffers*
 Nerp! *by Sarah Lynne Reul*
  Thank You, Omu! *by Oge Mora*

Older Readers

-  American as Paneer Pie
by Supriya Kelkar
 Free Lunch *by Rex Ogle*

Graphic Novels

-   Chef Yasmina and the Potato
Panic *by Wauter Mannaert*
 Cook Korean *by Robin Ha*
  Measuring Up
by Lily LaMotte and Ann Xu

For Parents

- The Stop: How the Fight for Good
Food Transformed a Community and
Inspired a Movement
by Nick Saul & Andrea Curtis
Reinventing Food Banks and Pantries:
New Tools to End Hunger
by Katie S. Martin
Big Hunger: Why the Richest Nation
on Earth Still Struggles with Food
Insecurity
by Andrew Fisher & Saru Jayaraman
Closing the Food Gap
by Mark Winne
Animal, Vegetable, Miracle
by Barbara Kingsolver
The Seed Keeper *by Diane Wilson*

What Do These Mean?



growing food



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How do I Donate my Read-A-Thon Funds?



1. Share your Read-A-Thon Scorecard with your sponsor and tally up how much you raised!



2. Have your sponsor go to www.hcfooddrive.org/donate to submit the amount of funds you raised through our online donation platform.



3. Ask your parent to email Chloe with your name and amount of pages read so you can get a

thank you goodie bag!

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