HOLLYREAD
Hall of Fame

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* AR is the abbreviation for Accelerated Reader*
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Goals/Objectives

The objectives/goals of the Hollyread Hall of Fame Incentive Program are to:

• Enhance the overall level of reading achievement in middle schools through improvements to the quality of literacy instruction across the curriculum.
• Improve the literacy skills of struggling adolescent readers, and help build a strong, scientific, research base around specific strategies that improve adolescent literacy skills through the usage of the Star Test and the Accelerated Reader Test.
• Provide students with an opportunity to become recognized for a job well done.
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Vision/Overview

Teaching adolescents to read well, on grade level, and motivation has been an initial part of my teaching Intensive Reading and Language Arts, through my observation of motivating students and keeping their interest in reading worthwhile during school and after school. Finally, I was struck with an idea that would embark on lifelong learning by simply pulling out the red carpet and introducing students to the Hollyread Hall of Fame. The Hollyread Hall of Fame Incentive program seeks to guide changes that will have an impact on the ability of every student. Ultimately, the goal of this incentive program is to improve each student’s capacity to become a successful reader and comprehend the given text. Through the Hollyread Hall of Fame Incentive Program students are provided with a consistent reading incentive that will give students the opportunity to keep a record of the novels read, obtain Accelerated Reader Points, and offer smaller incentives to students such as homework exemptions, blue jean privileges, movie day and field trips in order to motivate students to aim towards the opportunity to join the Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassadors Club. In order for a student to become a member of the Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassadors Club students must meet 100% of their Accelerated Reader Goal (each nine weeks), obtain an A, B, or C in academics and conduct, submit a membership application and a letter of recommendation.
# Project Timeline

*MONTHS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE TO ADHERE TO DESIGNATED SCHOOLS.*

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<td>ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOUT THE HOLLYREAD HALL OF FAME INCENTIVE PROGRAM. IN ADDITION, TO UPDATES ON STUDENTS AND TEACHERS THAT ARE</td>
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<td>OCTOBER (END OF THE FIRST NINE WEEKS) JANUARY (END OF THE SECOND NINE WEEKS) APRIL (END OF THE THIRD NINE WEEKS)</td>
<td>SPECIAL RECOGNITION ON THE MORNING ANNOUNCEMENT RECOGNIZING STUDENTS THAT HAVE MET 100% OF THEIR GOAL. IN ADDITION TEACHERS THAT WERE CAUGHT READING WITH THEIR CLASSES.</td>
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The Hollyread Hall of Fame Incentive Program consists of three components that are designed to encourage students to read for 30 minutes per day and earn points for taking computerized test each month based on the novels read. By participating in this incentive program students will develop strong reading skills which is one of the biggest challenge facing school districts around the country today.

Hollyread Hall of Fame Incentive Program Components:

• Through the Language Arts Department students will take a Star Test once the students have received their Star Test results students will receive an Accelerated Reader guide so that students are aware of the necessary goal (100%) that they need to reach to obtain incentives.

• Each 3rd Friday of the month Announcements will be made in regards to the top students from each grade level based on AR points gained. In addition, students that are working towards their goal may obtain smaller incentives at the teacher or school discretion.

• At the end of the year students that are eligible to become an Inductee into the Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassadors Club will receive an invitation this invitation only applies to students that have an A,B or C in academics and conduct, meet 100% of their Accelerated Reader goal (each nine weeks) and attend a(n) Inductee meeting to discuss the necessary membership application and letter of recommendation that needs to be submitted prior to their induction ceremony.
STUDENT INCENTIVES

Smaller Incentives for Reading:
Students will earn prizes based on the designated amount of points obtained from taking AR test the smaller incentives can range from the simplest things at the end of each nine weeks to encourage students:

**Passes:** jean passes, casual dress down day, movie day in the media center, etc.

**Privileges:** Print an expiration date on privilege certificates with the disclaimer that the winner had to surrender the privilege certificate at the time of use. Privileges can range from:

- Late Assignment Privilege - Gives student the privilege to apply for one homework assignment late.
- Exempt from One Quiz - Gives students the privilege to not take one test.
- Lunch with an Administrator - Provides students with the opportunity to have lunch with one of the administrators.

**The Ultimate Prize:**
Each student that maintains an A, B or C in academics and conduct and meets 100 % of their AR goal will receive an invitation to become apart of the Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassadors Club. By becoming a(n) Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassador students are entitled to:

- Show stopping Candle Lighting Induction Ceremony for parents, faculty, staff and students to see the benefits of reading each nine weeks while excelling in all classes academically and in conduct.
- Name, Grade and AR points for each nine weeks engraved on the Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassadors Club plaque.
- A Hollyread Hall of Fame T-shirt, gift bag filled with goodies. Lastly, recognition in the community/school newspaper.
Staff involvement is very imperative to push for the success of this incentive program therefore, even though the program is primarily conducted in students Language Arts class teachers from all subject areas are also recognized for participating each month with recognition on the morning announcements, special acknowledgements on the Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassadors Club Wall. In addition, at the end of the year all teachers that have participated in the Accelerated Reader Program will receive special recognition during the Hollyread Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony (Please see sample teacher incentive flier for Language Arts Teachers and General Ed. Teachers which is located in the Star Advice Column of this packet. Incentives for General Ed. Teachers are based on novels read in class, Language Arts Teacher incentives are based on novels read in addition to class Accelerated Points).
One method used to evaluate the result of the given incentive program was:

**Objective:** Enhancing the overall level of reading achievement in middle schools through improvements to the quality of literacy instruction across the curriculum.

**Evaluation:** The Hollyread Hall of Fame Incentive Program was a pure success when it came down to enhancing the overall level of reading achievement at MLMS as well as across the curriculum due to the fact that each month students that met their designated AR goal percentage were announced during the **Morning Announcements**, the students anticipated hearing their names being “**Shout Out**” for all to hear which motivated students to read more and take AR test. In addition, students began to read novels as a class to obtain “**Classroom Caught Reading Shout Outs**” in which, students along with their teachers selected books to read in their classes this included Language Arts, Social Studies, Vocational and the Mathematics Departments. This kept students on their toes as their teacher(s) were recognized.
Another method used to evaluate the result of the given incentive program was:

**Objective:** Improving the literacy skills of struggling adolescent readers, and help build a strong scientific, research base around specific strategies that improve adolescent literacy skills through the usage of the Star and Accelerated Reader Test.

**Evaluation:** In order to improve the literacy skills of struggling adolescent readers each student at MLMS took a computer generated test known as the Star Test, the Star Test is a ten minute test that measures students reading comprehension and determines the students Reading Level. Afterwards, students were provided with their GE Score (Reading Level) to determine what novels students should read in order to take their Accelerated Reader Test. This method was utilized to pinpoint struggling students was to simply print out all of the students scores and have previous Hollyread Hall of Fame Inductees served as Ambassadors to encourage students to read and meet their Accelerated Reader goal in order to participate in various incentives. What really intrigued students about the Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassadors Club was the publicity of the Hollyread Hall of Fame Wall, Students and teachers wearing Hollyread Hall of Fame T-Shirts and the ongoing recognition of students and teachers classes on the morning announcements because no one wants to be left out when there is a celebration for all to see. In addition, based on the FCAT scores the decreasing number of students scoring at a level 1 or 2 in grades 6th-8th and increasing the number of students scoring at a level of 3,4 or 5.
The last method used to evaluate the result of the given incentive program was:

**Objective:** Providing students the opportunity to become recognized for a job well done.

**Evaluation:** The purpose of the Hollyread Hall of Fame incentive program provided students with the opportunity to be recognized for a job well done. Students were recognized on the morning announcements for meeting a particular goal percentage on their Accelerated Reader test. Also, with the support of the faculty and staff the students were motivated to read as a class in order to have their class period and teacher name mentioned over the announcements and special recognition on the Hollyread Hall of Fame Wall. Lastly, at the end of the year all of the students that met 100% of their Accelerated Reader goal, obtained an A,B or C in academics and conduct each nine weeks also, submitted a letter of recommendation and their membership application. Each student inducted into the Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassadors Club will have an opportunity to obtain a VIP All Access Badge, Show stopping Candle Lighting Ceremony, Name on a School wide Plaque located on the Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassadors Wall, a Hollyread Hall of Fame Shirt, A novel, a Star Studded Hollyread Time Newspaper Featuring a bio about each inductee, Medallion, Certificate and a Pencil.
SAMPLE MATERIAL BUDGET

PRICES MAY VARY DEPENDING ON HOW ELABORATE YOUR INDUCTION CEREMONY IS.

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A DREAM BECOMES A REALITY

The Hollyread Hall of Fame Incentive Program was initiated by Ms. Johnson on October 16, 2006 to truly motivate students to read more and obtain rewards for excelling academically. During the 2007-2008 school year 10 students: Micheal Barrios, Danelis Delgado, Alexandra Garcia, Michael Ivory, Jennifer Jackson, Luis Lara, Hiranya Mir, Darlene Muniz, Wendy Serra and Crystal Serrano met their Accelerated Reader goal and maintained an A, B or C in academics and conduct. At this point it was decided that the ten students along with dedicated faculty and staff would be utilized to show students that if you keep reading you will keep succeeding in life. With the supportive team at MLMS a grant was submitted to Citibank and The Education Fund. Finally, a dream became a reality on September 23rd when the Hollyread Hall of Fame was selected as the CITI SUCCESS FUND grant recipient for 2008 – 2009 by winning this Grant the Hollyread Hall of Fame Club transitioned into the Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassadors Club vowing to uphold the task of promoting reading around MLMS. The first induction ceremony was held with the Theme: Lights, Camera, Action commending 18 students: ADRIAN ALAMEDA, STEPHANIE FOUTS, CRYSTAL SERRANO, SAMUEL DORTA, IVAN LEE, BRYAN CEREIJO PETER CORDERO, JONATHAN CORREA, TATIANA RODRIGUEZ, AIDIMER PEREZ, CLAUDIA CRUZ, ANTHONY HORTA, GISELLE CISNE, RONALDO SALAS, VICTOR CORRIAS CAROLYN SYMONETTE, DANIELA GARCIA and ELAINE ALTAMURA.
HERE ARE SOME ADDITIONAL FORMS AND FLIERS TO RECREATE YOUR OWN HOLLYREAD HALL OF FAME AMBASSADORS CLUB/PROGRAM.

- Sample Membership Application.
- Sample Letter of Recommendation Form.
- Sample Personal Reflection Form.
- Language Arts and General Ed Teacher Incentive Fliers.
- Sample Accelerated Reader (AR) Goal Setting Chart.
MLMS Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassadors Club is excited that you are interested in applying for membership into this exclusive club! We are anticipating an exciting and productive year. MLMS Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassadors Club is a great way for you to get involved in school activities as well as experience a leadership position for years to come. We look forward to your application and learning from each other to enhance this “exclusive” club! Please type/print the information and submit the attached letter of recommendation and a copy of your report card.

Contact Information

Last Name: ____________________  First Name: __________________________
Birth Month, Date, Year ______________  Current Grade Level: ______________
Student Id # ___________    Shirt Size ___________________
Parent/Legal Guardian Name (Mother) _________________________________
(Father)______________________________________
Email Address: ______________________________
Contact Number ( Cell ) ___________________________________
House ___________________________________

Please do not write past this line.____________________________________

Date Submitted Application: _______________________________
Induction Ceremony Date:___________________________________
SAMPLE LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FORM

This part must be completed by the Applicant prior to obtaining a Letter of Recommendation. Afterwards, please give this form to a designated recommender.

Name__________________________________________________________

Last                                    First                   Middle

Current E-mail Address____________________________________________

Phone Number ____________________________________________________

THIS PART MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE RECOMMENDER

RECOMMENDER - Please complete and return to applicant in a sealed envelope (student name and your name written across the front).

To the Recommender:

We would appreciate your opinion about the following student who is interested in becoming a member of MLMS Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassadors Club. Explicit descriptions of academic strengths and weaknesses are more helpful to the candidate than routine praise. Your Letter of Recommendation comments should reflect about character, integrity or motivation are also appreciated, if pertinent. In addition, please rank the student based on their ability in the areas listed below. Please attach your letter of recommendation to this completed document.

Please include comments on the following:
• length of acquaintance with the applicant
• applicant’s strengths and/or weaknesses
• nature of relationship with applicant (no family members)
• applicant’s ability to work with others

How long have you known this applicant?

Recommender’s Name (Please Print) Position or Title
As a candidate for membership into MLMS Hollyread Hall of Fame please take a moment to answer to following questions to the best of your ability.

1. Why would you like to become a member of the Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassadors Club?

2. What encouraged you to meet your Accelerated Reader goal?

3. If you are inducted into the Hollyread Hall of Fame Ambassadors Club, what would you be able to offer this exclusive club?
HOLLYREAD HALL OF FAME TOP 6TH LANGUAGE ARTS ACCELERATED READ
THEME: BUILDING A NATION OF READERS

PRIZES

1ST PLACE (LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT)
CLASS PLAQUE, SHOUT OUT DURING THE EVENT, TOKEN OF APPRECIATION, WALL OF FAME

2ND PLACE (ACADEMY AWARD)
CLASS AWARD, SHOUT OUT DURING THE EVENT, WALL OF FAME

3RD PLACE (EMMY AWARD)
CLASS CERTIFICATE, SHOUT OUT DURING CEMENTS, WALL OF FAME
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