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## Monon Trail Elementary School PTO

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## A TIME TO BE THANKFUL

This year is flying by and amid time travel we find ourselves in the Month of Thankfulness. November is a time where we stop and reflect on this last year and how we've invested our time, efforts, and energies.

Speaking of thankfulness, can I say how incredibly thankful we are for all Monon Teachers, Staff, Students and families! We truly have the best community, and it is worth saying Thank you!! This year has been unlike any other year before it and as a PTO in our "New Norm" we evaluated how we could best support our Teachers, Staff & Students and with your help we have done just that! While social distancing we have served our teachers snacks, sweets & meals! Want to help with our next Teacher Grab & Go Breakfast? → [Sign Up Here!](#) We kicked off our first ever Read-a-thon in October and successfully met and exceeded Student/Schoolwide Goals!

Way to go MTES!



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## MTES 20/20 Read-a-thon Challenge - Recap

October 14<sup>th</sup> - November 2<sup>nd</sup> we kicked off our first ever MTES 20/20 Read-A-Thon Challenge!

20 days/20 minutes of reading per day!

Week 2 we kicked off Spirit Week with fun themes such as, I love my hair Day, Kaleidoscope Day (Wear your favorite color), Come as you are (PJ Day) – each day classes read a book that correlated to the theme. So fun!!

With over 200 students registered we logged over 50,000 minutes read, over 200 books logged and raised over \$10,000!!! We are so proud and thankful to our Students, Families and Teachers!

Thank you to all who participated in making this event a great success!! Continue reading all about our awesome successes and Achievements!!



## \$10,360 Funds Raised

### SCHOOLWIDE READING:54,050 Minutes Read

- **Top School Reading Achievement** - "I'm Stuck on Reading" Tape Mrs. Dietz to the WALL! – Schoolwide Goal 50,000 Minutes Read/1000 Books = Every 10 mins of reading will count towards 1 inch of tape
- **Top Student Reader Achievement** – **Andrew 4<sup>th</sup> Mr. Tyler with 1990 minutes read!!** "You're a Glowing Reader! Award: Glo Party (glow bracelets, read with a black light, ect.) for the class
- **Top Class Reader Achievement** – Cutler 6,450 Minutes Read! Award: "Reading is Lit" All classroom students get Finger Lights
- **Reach Target Classroom Fundraising Goal**– The following classes met target classroom goal and will receive a classroom book from Bookfair:
  - Cutler
  - Flynn
  - Smith
  - Ballenger
  - Petersen
- **Top Class Fundraiser: Mrs. Cutler \$1050 Funds Raised! Award:** Extra Recess with Mrs. Dietz
- **Top Student Fundraiser –Fender 3<sup>rd</sup> Mrs. Howard \$455 Raised!!** Award: Innovation Station named after you for November and Lunch DJ for the day with Mrs. Darnell
- **Monon Trail Prize Drawing** – For every 100 Mins read Students name will be entered into a drawing to win a prize! Prize winners will be randomly drawn. Prizes Include: Barnes and Noble gift card, Book fair shopping spree, Amazon gift card. Live Drawing TBA!

## SPIRIT WEAR

**SHOP SPIRITWEAR TODAY!**

Click here → [Monon Trail Elementary Spirit Wear 2020](#)

**ORDER DEADLINE:11/22**

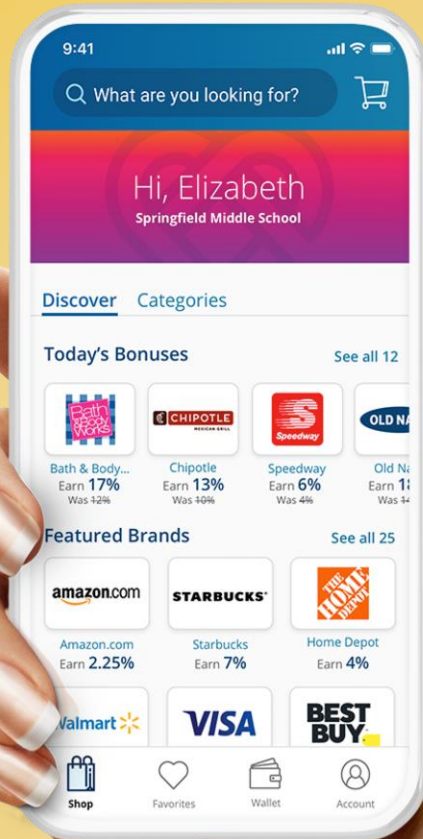
(All items will be delivered to the school and sent home with your student. If you are in the 100% virtual model, you will be able to pick-up your items from the Monon Trail office. There is also an option to ship UPS Ground at checkout. Orders will not be processed until after the posted closing date. Most products will be delivered within 2 weeks after store closing date.)



Check out the website for lots of Spirit Wear options! [monontrailstore2020](#)

COMING SOON!

**COMING SOON! Make holiday shopping easy and support Monon with every purchase! Check out all the Gift Card options when you Shop with Scrip! <https://www.shopwithscrip.com/giftguide>**





**Treasurer's Note****PTO Treasurer's Note:****Income and Expenses for 2020**

Due to limited activities allowed, we only have 3 sources of income this year to support our budget:

1. Read-a-Thon: \$10,000

2. Silent Auction: \$5,000

3. Shopping/Dine to Donate (i.e. Kroger, Noble Roman's, Hot Box, etc.)

Thank you so much for your support!

These 3 items fund the following annual expenses:

1. School events (STEM night, Fine Arts Night, etc.): \$1,000

2. Classroom Parties/Activities: \$1,300

3. Recognition/ Celebrations/ Clubs (Kindy500, Spell Bowl & Math Bowl, etc):  
\$1,000+

4. Classroom Grants & Supplies: \$10,000+

5. Teacher Appreciation: \$3,000

6. Principal Fund (add'l school needs): \$2,000

7. Admin Costs (Insurance, website fees, bank fees, accounting fees, etc): \$600

This is just a summary of our budget. A complete income & expense report is provided and reviewed at our PTO meetings. Next meeting TBD.

## WAYS YOU CAN HELP!

### Dine to Donate – Save the Dates!

December 9<sup>th</sup> Texas Roadhouse

January 13<sup>th</sup> Greeks Pizza

### Shop Amazon using AmazonSmile

If you want Amazon to donate to MTES PTO then start each shopping session at <https://smile.amazon.com>. We earn 0.5% of eligible purchases when you shop.



### Collect Box Tops It's so EASY Go online line to register!

[www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com)



### Sign up for Community Rewards & Shop at Kroger

Register your Kroger Plus Card to Monon Trail Elementary School and a percent of everything you spend is donated to the school. This provides approximately \$4,000 a year! <https://www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards>



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