



GRIFFIN CHRONICLE



MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Dear Athlos families,

Athlos Academy of Utah is all about reading! Reading opens the doorways for so many opportunities throughout our lives. In the early elementary grades, students are learning to read and in the later elementary and middle school grades, students are reading to learn. In other words, at first it is about fluency and later it is about acquiring knowledge through reading. The subjects of math, English language arts, social studies and science are language rich, and the better students can read, the better they can grasp these subjects.

This month we are excited to be part of the PBS Utah Reading Marathon. Our staff will be communicating regularly throughout the month with students and families. Don't be surprised if you hear a teacher ask a student in the hallway, "What are you reading today?" Parents can model this at home, asking their children what they are reading, reading together as a family, and seeing adults read for their own pursuit of knowledge at home. Together, we are a community of readers.

Speaking of marathons, don't forget that we have our own marathon going on right now. "Run the Athlos Network" is a way to celebrate our Healthy Body pillar. For the month of November, we will have prizes for "the most creative" and "the most grit". Log your miles with Coach Price and send us photos at social@athlosacademies.org.

As always, thank you for your support of your children at Athlos Academy of Utah.

Sincerely,
Mandy Kartchner
Executive Director

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PBS UTAH READING MARATHON

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1 - MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30



READING MARATHON
NOVEMBER 2020



YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE PBS UTAH 28TH ANNUAL READING MARATHON, WHERE ADVENTURE AWAITS!

If students read 20 minutes each day in November, they can earn an Adventure Pass that can be used for free admission to a variety of local adventure locations:

Discovery Gateway: Free Child Admission

Red Butte Garden: Free Child Admission

Hogle Zoo: Free Child Admission

The City Library: Free Book

Intermountain Therapy Animals: Free Book

Tracy Aviary: Free Child Admission

Natural History Museum of Utah: Free Child Admission

Utah Museum of Contemporary Art: Free Family Admission

Ogden Nature Center: Free Family Admission

Utah Symphony: Free Child Admission

We are excited to be promoting the PBS Utah Reading Marathon in November.

pbsutah.org/28th-annual-reading-marathon

Kindergarten through sixth grade students will be able to earn an Adventure Pass to a variety of locations in Utah. They need to read 20 minutes each day, November 1st-30th. Students received paper copies of the reading logs and teachers are sending links in Classroom Dojo, emails,

or other communications. We will be having rewards for the top classes in each grade who have greatest percentage of students completing the reading marathon.

Don't have books at home or time to visit the library? Let the library come to you with the Libby app. The Libby app provides free access digital books from the library. The Salt Lake County library participates in this resource. <https://www.overdrive.com/apps/libby/>. Library cards are required, and they are also free. This is a great way to read for the reading marathon and to keep reading throughout the winter months. Students can use a computer, tablet or phone.

THE MORE YOU KNOW UPDATES AND REMINDERS

DRIVELINE CHANGES

Students will now have their temperatures checked at their grade level doors and will not need to wait in their cars.

If a student's temperature is 100.4 or above, they will be sent to the sick room and the school will call home to have them picked up immediately. Please be available after drop-off by phone in the case that your child needs to be picked up. The less time a student exhibiting symptoms is on campus, the less chance of community spread.

Important: This year our kindergarten students are being picked up in front of the school when school is over. Front of the school pickup is **ONLY** for kindergarten students. Parents of students in other grades **MUST** go through driveline.

Thank you for your help in keeping our kindergarten students safe. Kindergarten parents, please remember to pull all of the way forward when picking up in order not to cause a traffic jam at our entrance.

We appreciate everyone's support and attention as we strive to make this process as safe and efficient as possible.



PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES ARE VIRTUAL THIS YEAR

Thursday, November 5th from 4-8 and Friday, November 6th from 9-12. No school for students on Friday, November 6th.

COLDER TEMPERATURES ARE HERE

Please dress your children accordingly. They will be going out to recess as usual. We do still have some donated Athlos jackets available if your student needs one. Call the front office to see if there is a size available for your student.

PICTURE RETAKES ARE COMING UP

November 11th. Online students should enter through Kindergarten doors on the north side of the building from 3:30-4:30. Please remember masks.



Run the Athlos Network!

4,800 miles



JOIN THE NOVEMBER/DECEMBER CHALLENGE

STUDENTS, STAFF AND ATHLOS FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO RUN THE ATHLOS NETWORK. THE ROUTE CIRCUMNAVIGATES THE THREE ATHLOS ACADEMY SCHOOLS AND HOME COURT, FROM MINNESOTA TO LOUISIANA TO UTAH TO IDAHO. THIS IS PART OF THE HEALTHY BODY PILLAR OF ATHLOS ACADEMY.

HOW TO ENTER: Share your miles and activity type with Bryan Bennion. He will keep track of miles and choose winners at the end of the month. Most importantly, be sure to share your photos on social media using the hashtags #athlosnetrun and #teamathlos and send photo submissions to social@athlosacademies.org.

CREATIVITY

What's the most creative way you can complete the route? Staff and students can run, walk, ski, bike, swim or longboard! Wear a crazy hat or bring your dog.

GRIT

Grit is about overcoming obstacles with perseverance. This prize will go to the staff and students with the most miles.

PRIZES!

\$25 Amazon Gift Cards for 2 students and 2 staff members



DEADLINE: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18

BOOK FAIR

SCHOLASTIC VIRTUAL BOOK FAIR NOVEMBER 2-15

The book fair is virtual this year, books will deliver straight to home with free shipping over \$25, and Athlos Academy will receive 25% of the profits to put back into the school if orders are received November 2-15. Parents can order through our link anytime and the school will receive 2% back throughout the year.

scholastic.com/bf/athlosacademyofutah1



THESE MUST BE TURNED IN BY OCTOBER 30TH!!

Traditional box tops are being phased out but you can still find, clip and turn them in to help our school. Top classes will get a prize!

Make sure each one has a clearly visible product acronym and expiration date.

Please put box tops in a baggie labeled with # of box tops, student name and grade. Send them back to school to your child's teacher. Venmo @AAUTPTO

FALL BOX TOP DRIVE

YOU CAN PARTICIPATE IN 2 WAYS: CLIP OR SCAN

Submit 25 Box Tops or equivalent (\$2.50) per student to help our school.

THESE CAN BE DONE ALL YEAR BUT WE'D LOVE A LITTLE BOOST NOW!

Box Tops will be moving to an all digital format soon! If you see the label above follow these steps to help us earn credit.

- 1) Download the box top app on your smartphone.
- 2) Designate Athlos Academy of Utah as your organization and enter your students name to earn credit.
- 3) Scan your receipt
- 4) Watch the cash total for our school grow!

RED RIBBON WEEK

