

BELLMORE ELEMENTARY PTA

C.A. Reinhard Early Childhood Center

PARP

Pick A Reading Partner ~ 2026



Dear Reinhard Parents and Students,

The Bellmore Elementary PTA proudly brings you “**Pick A Reading Partner**”. **PARP** is a New York State PTA program, which began in 1987. It is a collaborative effort for parents, staff and the community to build a reading partnership between home and school. The **PARP** program encourages children to pick a reading partner each day (parent, sibling, pet, etc.).

Please join us in our three week long **PARP** program beginning Wednesday, January 7th. This year our theme is “*Scoop Up a Good Book*” to celebrate the joy of reading one book (and one scoop!) at a time.

Students and parents should complete and return the attached reading pledge. To celebrate our readers’ hard work, students will receive recognition for the time they spend reading each week. **Reading minutes will be collected digitally each Friday.** Please **scan the QR code weekly** and submit your child’s total reading minutes for that week. Weekly reading minutes will be **recognized and shared during morning announcements.**

Our goal is 100% participation, and we know that together we can make it happen. Thank you for helping us foster a love of reading at home and for supporting this special Bellmore tradition.

Let’s scoop up some great books and read together!

The Parp Committee

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I pledge to read for at least 15 minutes per day!

Please color this pledge and then hang it in your window at home. This way the PARP Patrol can spot it. Listen all month during the morning announcements for your street name to be called!



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Together with our children, we pledge to engage in a reading activity at least 5 days per week, for a minimum of 15 minutes per day. *Reading can include, but is not limited to: sharing a book, reading a news article, following a recipe, playing a board game with written instructions.

****Please note that this does not include the district required 20 minutes of reading each day.***

Please sign this pledge, return it to school and start recording your minutes!

Sincerely,

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I, _____ pledge to read 15 minutes or more per day.

Child's Signature: _____ Child's Teacher: _____

Parent's Signature: _____