

# ***Calling all Mathletes!***

The purpose of the annual PTA math program is to develop better math skills by having extra practice during a two week period. **Math minutes are to be put into the computer each day by a parent.** At the end of the two weeks, math minutes are totaled and prizes are given out for individual, classroom, and school-wide goals that have been met. Go to the school website to record minutes: <http://cedarridge.alpineschools.org/>

## **Individual prizes**

Water Gardens passes given to students who meet their extra minutes goal. Goal amounts are as follows:

- Kindergarten: 100 minutes
- 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: 200 minutes
- 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade: 250 minutes

The top two students per class will go with Mr. Brunner to Pizza Pie Café on March 23<sup>rd</sup>!

## **Classroom prizes**

Each class will be competing against the other classes in the grade. **There is a change in the program this year, the class with the *highest percentage* of students to complete the individual extra minute goal will win.** The top class will get a party and refreshments with Mr. Brunner.

## **School-wide prizes**

All of the students in the school will work together to get 200,000 minutes. We will have prizes along the way to our goal.

- If the school reaches 100,000 minutes, we will earn 15 minutes of extra recess!
- If we get to 150,000 minutes, we will earn a backwards clothes/crazy hair day!
- If we get to 200,000 minutes, we will earn a lunch time dance party with candy/prizes thrown out.

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## Helps To Complete Minute Goals

### Bingo cards

Each student will be given a Bingo card. A student with a bingo may bring it into class for a prize. The PTA will be in the classrooms on Friday of this week, as well as Monday, Wednesday, and Friday of next week. A student with a black out will get to trade the bingo card for a homework assignment of their choice. If the student gets a black out or a bingo at the end of the program, they will also get free coupons for prizes. Only students with a black out will get the free homework assignment. **The bingo cards must be signed by an adult!**

### Math question of the week

Each week there will be new questions displayed in the hall. If the student answers the correct amount of questions, they will be entered into a drawing for a prize. Two students per grade per week will be drawn out. If you are a first grader, you only need answer the first grade question. If you are older, you must answer all the questions younger than you to correctly get a prize. So a sixth grader must answer questions 1-6 correctly to get a prize. **ONLY ONE ENTRY PER STUDENT PER WEEK.** Students will be disqualified if there are more than one submitted.

### Other helps

- Students can use computer aids such as Reflex math to add to daily math minute totals.
- Groups of students have gotten together to have a math party and play games to boost total minutes.
- Students can read math books such as the Math Curse, How much is a Million, and Sir Cumference and the Knights of the Round Table.
- Play games that use math like Farkle.
- Use math in motion. For example, a younger student can jump rope and skip count as they go. PLEASE keep activities age appropriate. If you are a sixth grader, you cannot count keeping score while playing a sport, but a kindergartener or first grader may. An older student can play 4 quadrants (just like 4 corners) or make a giant coordinate plane in sidewalk chalk and plot points to make a picture.

### Homework counts toward total minutes

Extra math should be enjoyable! Math is important in life. Students need to discover how to have fun with math and realize how useful it can be.