

Challenger Elementary PTA Eagle Update

PTA MEMBERSHIP – Challenger Elementary PTA received the Shining Star Award this year for standing out with more than 100% of our previous year and achieving Good Standing with the Texas PTA.

It's not too late to join PTA this year! We still need Committee Chairpersons for Fundraising, Family Engagement, Retail Partners, and Arts in Education. Please email us at challengertxpta@gmail.com if interested in serving.

FAMILY ENGAGEMENT – March 2, 2022 is National Read Across America Day. Here are some tips from Scholastic Parents to help your child improve reading comprehension:

1. **Have them read aloud.** This encourages them to go slower, which gives them more time to process what they read.

2. **Provide books at the right level.** Make sure your school-aged reader gets lots of practice reading books that aren't too hard. They should recognize at least 90 percent of the words without any help.

3. **Reread to build fluency.** To gain meaning from text and encourage reading comprehension, your child needs to read quickly and smoothly.

4. **Talk to the teacher.** If your child is struggling with reading comprehension, they may need more help with building their vocabulary or practicing phonics skills. A teacher can weigh in on the best next steps to take!

Source: <https://www.scholastic.com/parents/books-and-reading/reading-resources/developing-reading-skills/improve-reading-comprehension.html>.

FUNDRAISER – Challenger Elementary PTA has partnered with Read-a-thon.com to host our Spring Fundraiser through March 11th. Money raised during this event will be used to fund PTA programs supporting student achievement, enrichment and our staff throughout the rest of this school year and into the next. Thank you for supporting our students and broader school community.

ENVIRONMENTAL – The Sunrise Garden Club (SGC) will hold its first meeting on Saturday, March 5th, 2022 from 8-9 am (weather permitting). Grab your gardening gloves and join us!

YEARBOOK - Don't miss your chance to be in the yearbook! **Fourth grade parents:** please e-mail a baby picture of your student to ChallengerElementaryYearbook@gmail.com for a special "Guess Who" page. All parents can also share fun pictures of your Eagle's adventures over Spring Break and any other "groovy" moments from this school year.

RETAIL PARTNERS – Did you know? You can link your accounts at AmazonSmile, Kroger and Randall's to Challenger Elementary PTA and they will donate a percentage of your purchases to us. Please visit <https://www.pearlandisd.org/Page/5009> for instructions on how to set up your accounts to donate to Challenger Elementary PTA. THANK YOU!

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