

HARFORD HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
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Dear Parents/Guardians:

This school year, we will again challenge our students to master basic reading and math skills through our lunch-time program, *Maryland Masters of Reading and Math*. In this program, students demonstrate mastery of grade level and challenge level skills in order to earn ribbons which are displayed on our "Wall of Fame" in the cafeteria. Ribbon winners are also entered in a prize drawing at the end of each semester. Below is a summary of each grade level's reading and math expectations:

Grade	Reading Standard	Math Standard	Math Ex.
K	Letter Names (40/52)	1:1 correspondence Count to 10 Read/Write/Represent 1-10	Touch and count dots; draw dots representing 1-10
1	Dolch Preprimer Words	Count to 100 Fill in incomplete 100's chart Write numbers 1-100	
2	Read 68 wpm	Addition Facts 0 – 18 (70%) 2 min	0 + 0 through 18 + 0
3	Read 92 wpm	Addition Facts 0-18 (90%) 2 min.	0 - 0 through 18 + 0
4	Read 105 wpm	Multiplication Facts 0-9 (90%) 2 min.	0 x 0 through 9 x 9
5	Essential Prefixes/Roots 1 (90%)	Multiplication Facts 0-12 (90%) 2 min.	0 x 0 through 12 x 12

If you are free any day between 11:30 and 1:00, we would very much appreciate your volunteering to listen to the children as they work toward reading and math mastery. Training and support will be provided.

Attached is a copy of your child's reading and math expectations. Please help your child to achieve our first semester standards by encouraging him/her to practice the skills daily. Also, help your child by helping him/her to study and recite the facts to you.

Also attached is an agreement for you and your child to read and sign together. With this agreement, we hope to create an opportunity for you and your child to commit to working together on this very important task.

Thank you so much for your support. Together, we can ensure that your child masters the basics and maintains his/her love of learning.

Sincerely,

Nellie Slater,
Principal