

# Reading Across America

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Dear Parents,

Your child is about to embark on a great adventure in first grade. We will be “Reading Across America”. I have marked out a trip on the United States map for us to follow. As a class, we will be counting our books read at home, put all the numbers together, and move our marker across the map until we reach certain cities on our route. Each book will count as ONE MILE toward our destinations.

## Rules of the Road

1. Send in a signed note with how many books you’ve read.
2. If reading a chapter book, each chapter counts as one book.
3. You can read a book more than once.
4. Send in your notes as frequently as possible so we can move our marker across the map.

## Destination Cities

When we have reached a destination city, I will inform the students the day before. Then the following day, we will learn something about that city and have some special activities to go with the city. If you have visited that city or area, and have pictures or other things that you

would like to send, that would be great! (Also if you have some ideas for the activities please let me know)

We are going to have a fun and educational journey! Your child will benefit not only from reading and being a part of a group effort, but the math skills that we learn as we count our way across the map.

See the attached sheet for the itinerary of our trip.

**We will begin the first day of school!!**

Sincerely, Mrs. McConnell