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Read Across America

For ten years, “Read Across America” has inspired students to discover the joy of reading. The national program, which was started by NEA (National Education Association), is sponsored by the national and local PTA and provides an opportunity for guest adult readers to share their love of reading with our students.

Volunteers from all walks of life provide an opportunity for Top of the World and El Morro Elementary students to hear guest readers’ varying tenor, cadence and excitement while offering students a generous glimpse into the wonder of reading as a life-long passion. Previous volunteer voices have included members of our school board, local and national sports heroes and school and community leaders.

El Morro Principal Chris Duddy explains, “‘Read Across America’ reminds us of the importance of reading. It reminds the students and adults to turn off the I-pod, TV, and computer and sit down with a book to enjoy reading together. The students love seeing the adults take an interest in their lives by reading to them.”

Ron La Motte, TOW Principal, is looking forward to the annual program, “There will be a special guest appearance of the “Cat in the Hat” who will read a favorite Dr. Seuss story to the entire student body. Finally, the winners of the Dr. Seuss writing contest will be reading their favorite book summaries to the rest of the school. We appreciate the support of our community leaders in coming to Top of the World to inspire our children to read!”