



Dear SFES families,

We will be celebrating Read Across America in a new and different way this year at Schilling Farms Elementary School. The National Education Association (NEA) began the Read Across America campaign in 1997 and aligned the celebration to coincide with the birthday of Theodor Geisel, better known as Dr. Seuss. In recent years, the NEA has transitioned to a more inclusive celebration of the notion of reading across America by bringing attention to and celebrating books that represent each of our unique states and our diverse readers. You can find out more about this ongoing celebration at <https://www.readacrossamerica.org/about-read-across-america/>.

This year, we are going to use the month of March to try to read across all 50 states as a community. A large map of the United States will hang outside the library. We will color in the states as students read books that have a setting that represents that state. This can be a chapter book or a picture book. If your student reads a book that is set in a particular state, please encourage them to fill out the slip (or two or three) below and turn it in to the library. A suggested list of titles of books in our library that represent each state can be found on the SFES Library page [here](#).

Happy reading!

Ms. McGill
SFES Library Media Specialist

Name _____ Grade _____

Book title _____

State it represents _____