We believe that every North Platte child deserves the chance to develop reading as a life-long passion.

Let’s build classrooms that are inviting places for children to learn to love to read. Let’s fill our shelves with wonderful children’s literature. Let’s create learning communities where children love books and spend time with them every day.

Let’s make good books available, at the fingertips, of each of our students!

Building Lifelong Readers

Students who read independently:
• become better readers,
• score higher on achievement tests in all subject areas, and
• have greater content knowledge than those who do not.
(Krashen 1993; Cunningham and Stanovich 1991; Stanovich and Cunningham 1993)

Contact Information
For more information, please find us on Facebook at North Platte Reading Partnership

Or contact us at:
North Platte Area Chamber & Development
308-532-4966

OR
McKinley Education Center: 308-535-7100
**Why Should You Help?**

Building readers helps us all!

Did you know?

*A student’s ability to read has a powerful implication for whether the child will enter college or find a good job.*

Reading is an important skill that needs to be developed in children. Not only is it necessary for survival in the world of schools and (later on) universities, but in adult life as well. The ability to learn about new subjects and find helpful information depends on the ability to read.

Futurologists used to predict the death of the printed word but, ironically, the internet has made reading more and more a part of people’s daily lives. However, to effectively utilize the web and judge the authenticity and value of what is found there, both reading and critical thinking skills are of prime importance.

The more children read, the better they become at reading. It’s as simple as that. The more enjoyable the things they read are, the more they’ll stick with them and develop the reading skills that they’ll need for full access to information in their adult lives.

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**Our Reading Vision**

Building lifelong readers must start in each of our classrooms. A life-long reading habit begins with encountering great books, heartfelt recommendations, and a community of readers who share this passion.

If we show students how to embrace reading as a lifelong pursuit we will be doing what we have been charged to do: creating strong readers and better thinkers.

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**How Can You Help?**

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**Become a Member!**

Here’s how: Choose any form of involvement that best suits you or your organization.

- Simply agree to be a member of NPRP and display a decal showing your support.
- Make a donation to the Partnership for the sole purpose of buying books for classrooms. Your donation can be tax exempt.
- Agree to “adopt” a North Platte classroom.
- Make a visit to one of our classrooms and be a “Reading Buddy” to our young students.
- Donate gently used books to North Platte’s schools through the North Platte Reading Partnership.
- If you are a merchant, consider a promotion: “Bring a Book, Get a Discount.”

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**Invest in North Platte’s future!**

To make a tax deductible donation:

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NPPSD Foundation
Attn: North Platte Reading Partnership
P.O. Box 1557
North Platte, NE 69103

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- North Platte Public Library
- NPPSD Foundation
- North Platte Telegraph

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