Read Around the Planet

TWICE Video Conference Event


Celebrate Read Around the Planet!

Read Around the Planet is a celebration of NEA’s Read Across America. Classrooms use interactive video to connect with other classrooms and celebrate reading. The activity is sponsored by TWICE and Polycom.

TWICE provides the registration tool, matches classrooms with partners, and provides support documents. Participating classrooms are responsible for their video connection and developing their own reading activities.

*Disclaimer. While we are using this name to be inclusive to our international friends, this name does NOT guarantee U.S. schools an international connection.

Participate in English or World Languages

This activity is open to all K-12 students (ages 6-18) in public and private schools who have access to two-way interactive video equipment (IP H.323 or ISDN H.320).

Your class will be matched with a class from a different location and each class will exchange reading activities. World language classes will receive a match with the same language, but may not be the same grade level.

Classroom to classroom connections will take place February 23 – March 11, 2011. Time choices are on every half hour between 7 am and 7 pm your time.

Each connection is scheduled for an hour:

10 min. Introductions & sharing maps
15 min. The first class leads the interaction
15 min. The second class leads the interaction
10 min. Q&A exchange info about schools & communities
10 min. Extra time in case of connection troubles

Project Timeline

January 7, 2011: Equipment Verification Deadline
January 14-21, 2011: Leftover Registration & Matching Classes
By Jan. 28, 2011: Partner Class Details Emailed and Online
Feb 23–Mar 11, 2011: Connections Occur

Registration and More Information

Register online at http://projects.twice.cc
Instructions for registration at http://www.twice.cc/read/
Questions? Email sue@twice.cc