

2009 Iditaread

Race Entry Application Release complete this form and get the necessary signatures to enter the 2009 Iditaread.

1. Your Name	
2. Birth date3. Age _	4. Teacher's Name
5. Grade	Room Number
7. What is your goal for the IRead a story or short bookOther - (Please explain)	
	bout any special things you want to learn about logs or the Iditarod this year?
Head Official (Teacher) Signature	Assistant Official (Parent/s) Signature

2009 Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race Iditaread Challenge Reading Record (Optional)



Musher Name: _____ Student Name:____ Checkpoint Date Miles From Story or Short Book or Chapter Author Anch. Run Name Anchorage 3/7 Campbell 3/8 20 20 Airstrip 29 49 Willow 3/8 52 115 Yentna 34 149 Skwentna Finger Lake 45 194 224 30 **Rainy Pass** Rohn 48 272 75 347 Nikolai McGrath 48 401 Takotna 18 419 25 444 **Ophir Iditarod** 90 534 **Shageluk** 65 599 25 624 Anvik Grayling 642 18 Eagle 702 60 Island 70 772 Kaltag 90 862 Unalakleet 902 40 **Shaktoolik** 960 58 Koyuk Elim 48 1008 Golovin 28 1036 (unofficial) * *

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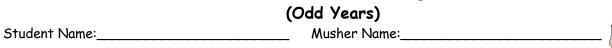
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2009 Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race Southern Route Musher Tracking Checksheet



Checkpoint Name	Miles Run	From Anch.	Date	Time In	# of Dogs	Date	Time Out	# of Dogs	# of Dropped Dogs	Layover
Checkpoint										
Name										
Anchorage	20	20								
Campbell Airstrip	29	49								
Willow	52	115								
Yentna	34	149								
Skwentna	45	194								
Finger Lake	30	224								
Rainy Pass	48	272								
Rohn	75	347								
Nikolai	48	401								
McGrath	18	419								
Takotna	25	444								
Ophir	90	534								
Iditarod	65	599								
Shageluk	25	624								
Anvik	18	642								
Grayling	60	702								
Eagle Island	70	772								
Kaltag	90	862								
Unalakleet	40	902								
Shaktoolik	58	960								
Koyuk	48	1008								
Elim	28	1036								
Golovin (unofficial)**	18	1054								
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Glue/import picture of your mushing partner here.

Our Mushing Partner 2009 Iditaread

□Veteran or □Rookie



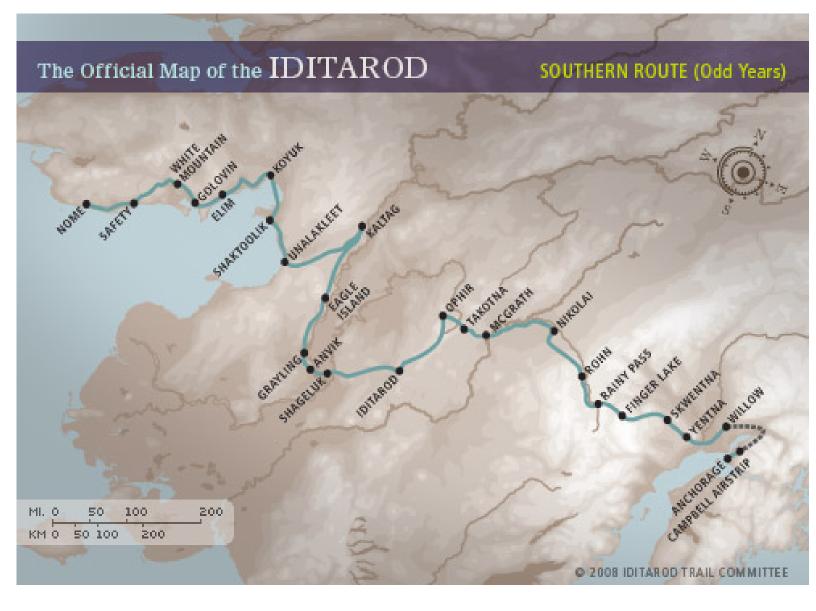
Name:	Home:	
Age:	Where born:	
When did he or she begin mushing?		-
How many times has this musher participa	ated in the Iditarod?	-
Hobbies:		_
Other information about your musher:		





The Iditarod Trail 2009

Southern (Odd Year) Route







The Most Common Question asked about the trail:



Why does the trail go one way in even years (northern) and the other way in odd years (southern)?

Both sections of trail are a part of the Iditarod National Historical Trail which was used in early years for all winter travel. Dog sleds delivered the mail, the preacher, the groceries and hauled out gold and furs all the way to Anchorage or Fairbanks.

During the early years of the Iditarod Race, the mushers only traveled the northern trail. After several years, the Iditarod Board of Directors realized that the smaller villages were being heavily impacted by the race coming through their village year after year. It was decided to use both sections of the trail.

This decision had a three-fold effect. The northern villages of Ruby, Galena and Nulato only had to deal with the large group of mushers, press and volunteers every other year. The second effect was that the race was able to pass through the actual ghost town of Iditarod. Lastly, the villages of Shageluk, Anvik and Grayling were able to participate in the race.

The 2009 Iditaread Challenge - All School Reading Event



February 25, 2009

Dear Parents,

The Iditarod is a very tough and exciting Alaskan sled dog race run from Anchorage to Nome, and all those who enter do it for the challenge. Only a few teams are good enough to do it for the money and fame it will bring to them.

We are going to follow the 37th Annual Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race again this year at Mary Lou Dieterich School. This challenging race of over 1,100 miles can take from 9 to 14 days to complete.

We are accepting a similar challenge in reading. We call it the **Iditaread Challenge**. Classes will choose veteran and rookie mushers and attempt to read to match their mushers' arrival at each of the 25 race checkpoints. Each student's goal will be to read a chapter, a story, or a short book for each race checkpoint reached by their musher. Students will keep track of their reading on Bookmark Tally Sheets or on an Iditaread Challenge Reading Record.

The ceremonial start of the race is on Saturday, March 7, 2009, in Anchorage. The official race restart is in Willow on Sunday, March 8th. <u>Our reading will also begin officially on Sunday, March 8th, and will continue until the last musher finishes in Nome.</u>

Here are some general guidelines:

- 1. Everyone will be participating it's part of our reading.
- 2. Help your student choose reading material that is a slight challenge but enjoyable.
- 3. All students will keep a record of their reading on their Bookmark Tally Sheet or Iditaread Challenge Reading Record. (You can use the Bookmark Tally Sheet on the back of this letter!)
- 4. Use the "Hotlist on the Iditarod" to find out more online about the Iditarod, the dogs, and your musher's progress at:
 - http://www.kn.att.com/wired/fil/pages/listtheiditmr.html
- 5. Certificates of participation and MLD Iditaread dog tags will be awarded to all finishers at the conclusion of the race. Students must turn in a completed Iditaread Bookmark Tally Sheet or Iditaread Challenge Reading Record to qualify for a dog tag.

We thank the Mary Lou Dieterich Boosters for their support with the Iditaread Reading Challenge!

Good luck with the Iditaread Challenge!!

Student Name	Teacher
STUDENT NAME	I POLOTIPE.

Iditarod 2009 Bookmark Tally Sheet

Checkpoint

My Iditaread Reading Goal is: _____ Stories/Chapters/Short Books

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ALAUNA
_ The Last Frontier

List each story, chapter, or short book you read	Author
	
	
	





Anchorage to Nome

I participated in the 2009 Iditaread At Mary Lou Dieterich Elementary School

Start Date: Sunday, March 8, 2009

Student Musher	Class Musher	Race Official - Teacher