

All About Mari-Etta

Mari-Etta, the Marietta Reads! mascot, loves to visit with people. Mari-Etta always travels with friends to make the event a fun-filled time for adults and children. Mari-Etta's friends will read stories with your group.

Mari-Etta is the property of the Marietta City Schools. Mari-Etta's appearances are traditionally made as part of a Marietta Reads! fundraising or sponsorship event or at a district school in support of the Accelerated Reader (AR) points program and to promote the Marietta Reads! literacy initiative.



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All requests for Mari-Etta appearances should be made in writing. Appearance request forms are available online at the Marietta Reads! Web site <http://www.marietta-city.k12.ga.us/mariettareads/html/mari-etta.html>.

All requests for Mari-Etta appearances are approved by the Office of the Superintendent in conjunction with the Marietta Reads! office, and approval is based on volunteer/scheduling availability, and how the appearance relates to our mission and fundraising/sponsorship efforts.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Mari-Etta stands about 6 feet tall and is a soft and lovable character. Please be aware, however, that smaller children may need familiar adults nearby, as Mari-Etta's size may be overwhelming to some. Mari-Etta DOES NOT talk. Mari-Etta's friends do, however, and they will help engage the audience and share a little about Mari-Etta and the Marietta Reads! literacy initiative.

FOCUS

Mari-Etta's visits emphasize the importance of reading and developing a lifelong love for books.

VISIT LENGTH

Mari-Etta's visits typically last 25-30 minutes and include one 10-minute break. Because of the weight and heat of the costume, additional breaks may be needed. On hot days, please be prepared to provide water for Mari-Etta.

SECURITY

Please be able to provide a secure place for Mari-Etta and friends to change into the costume and leave valuables until they have completed the visit.

