



Join the Flock: A Reading Streak *Celebration* Board

A whimsical classroom display idea for readers who complete their 21-Day Reading Streak

Once a reader finishes their **21-Day Reading Streak** and earns their **Certificate of Completion**, give that milestone a place to shine! "Join the Flock" turns your classroom wall into a growing storybook sky — every child who completes the streak adds their own little paper bird to the flock. It's a simple, low-cost display that keeps reading visible, celebrated, and just a little bit magical all year long.

What You'll Need

- ☐ Bulletin board or wall space, about 3ft × 4ft
- ☐ White cardstock for bird cutouts (template below)
- ☐ Mini clothespins or washi tape
- ☐ Markers or crayons for students
- ☐ Navy, light blue, mint & gold paper or cardstock
- ☐ Twine, yarn, or ribbon for the flight path
- ☐ Gold star stickers
- ☐ Printed Certificates of Completion

Step-by-Step

1 Set the sky.

Cover the board in warm white or light blue paper. Add a soft navy strip along the bottom as a "horizon," with torn-paper hills or trees for a cozy storybook feel.

2 String the flight path.

Pin a curvy length of twine or ribbon across the board — echo the winding path from the Reading Streak Tracker so it feels connected to the printable your readers already know.

3 Add a title banner.

Letter a bold banner reading "Join the Flock!" or "Our Flock of Fantastic Readers" across the top in gold and navy.

4 Prep a stack of birds.

Copy the bird template onto white cardstock ahead of time and keep a stack handy — you'll want one ready every time a reader finishes their streak.

5 Celebrate each reader.

When a student completes 21 days, invite them to color their bird, write their name on it, and clip it to the flight path themselves — right alongside their Certificate of Completion.



Bird Template

Photocopy this little flyer onto white cardstock, or trace it by hand — either way, keep a stack ready so every finished streak has a bird waiting to join the flock.



More Ways to Make the Board Your Own

Theme variations, engagement rituals, and a bonus pairing idea

Three Board Themes to Try



Nest of Notable Readers

Build one big kraft-paper nest. Every finished streak "hatches" a new paper egg with a reader's name on it.



Cloud Trail

Swap birds for fluffy paper clouds. Readers write their name on a cloud and pin it along a winding sky path.



Reading Garden

For a nature theme, use paper flowers blooming along a garden trail instead of birds or clouds.

Ways to Keep It Meaningful

- **Friday Flock Reveal.** Set aside five minutes each Friday to call up any reader who finished their streak that week and add their bird together, as a class.
- **Peer shout-outs.** Invite classmates to leave a one-word sticky note of encouragement near a newly added bird — "brave," "funny," "curious."
- **A keepsake photo.** Snap a quick photo of each reader beside their bird and Certificate of Completion to send home — parents love seeing the moment.
- **Milestone parties.** When the flock reaches 10, 20, or 30 birds, celebrate with a class read-aloud or a favorite-poem swap day.
- **Fresh start each quarter.** Photograph the full flock before taking it down, then start a new one — kids love watching how far the class has come.

Pair it with the printables: This board works hand-in-hand with the Good Tidings *21-Day Reading Streak Tracker* and *Certificate of Completion* — students track their streak at their desk, then bring their finished tracker to the board as their "ticket" to join the flock.



Give the Flock a Home

Add a little nameplate at the top of the board — "Room 12's Flock of Fantastic Readers" or "Ms. Kristi's Reading Nest" — so the display feels like it truly belongs to your class.