



Fayette County Public Library

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What programs, events and activities will you have at the library?

This summer we will be offering our full range of story times and programs for children that we offer year-round. Added to that are lots of other hands-on activities to keep creativity, thinking and learning alive. Here is a list of a few key events. For a full listing of library happenings [pick up our printed calendars](#) OR download them on the web:

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May 28-31 Kickoff week

Come to the library to register, make art and hear stories told by community leaders. *Times listed on our calendar.*

June 1 The Art of Reading Kickoff Event, 1-4 p.m.

Register for our reading challenges, do chalk art, create bookish art, help us fill our meeting room with constructions made from our building toys, enjoy ice pops on the lawn, consult our reading experts who can help you find great summer reads, and greet our friends from CAREing Paws who can tell you about how their program can make you a stronger reader.

June 27 Meet the Author Day, 9 am – 4 pm

Come meet award-winning author Laurel Snyder who will share two family-friendly presentations. We will also have lots of other fun activities in and around the library that day. *See our Author Day flyer for more details.*

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What is Summer Quest?



Summer Quest is Fayette County Public Library's summer reading initiative for children ages 0-13.

Research has shown that lifelong reading habits are powerfully impacted by two things:

1. Reading aloud to children early, often and throughout their lives.
2. Providing access to lots of reading material and access to time for children to read books they select for themselves.

The Fayette County Public Library has designed a Summer Reading Quest with three major components. Our Quest will blast us off into a universe of stories.

1. Three reading challenges that build a daily habit of reading and offer inspiration to experience a variety of literature.
2. A calendar of community-based programs that focus on reading aloud, book discussion and hands-on activities to encourage connection to community and open-ended exploration.
3. A richly developed book collection with resources developed by our librarians to help you and your child find books they will enjoy reading.

What are the dates for the program?

- Kickoff week is May 28-June 1. See the calendar for the times you can come in on those days to register, do some fun bookish art and hear community leaders read aloud.

- Reading Challenges go from June 1 – July 31. Prizes must be redeemed by August 10.
- Our regular program schedule will be from June 3 – July 26 with no programs the week of July 4th. See calendars for details.
- Wrap-up week is July 27 – July 31. Come in to turn in completed logs, get information about our fall programs and have more hands-on fun.

What Reading Challenges Do You Offer?

- **Read with Your Baby (Ages 0-2)**
Complete early literacy activities with your child to earn a free book.
- **Blast Off With Reading (Ages 3-13)**
Read up to 20 minutes per day for 36 days this summer and earn a free summer reading t-shirt created personally for you by Big Frog. **BONUS:** Solve three clues, submit pictures of yourself reading in the three mystery spots, and earn a free book from our book tub.
- **Two Authors: A Universe of Stories (Ages 3-13)**
Complete 8 activities related to authors Laurel Snyder and Nikki Grimes. Snyder is visiting in person June 27 and Grimes is visiting us via Skype July 25. Finish the challenge for a commemorative button, pencil, temporary tattoo, and free food from Chipotle.

Are you a camp or day care leader? Be sure to get our *Flyer for Camps and Day Cares* as participation guidelines for programs and challenges differ for groups.

How Do We Participate?

We are excited to be offering **TWO** ways to participate in our reading challenges this year. Registration for both of these ways begins on **Tuesday, May 28**.

1. Track reading and activities with our paper logs.

- To participate this way, just let us know the age of your child and which challenges they want to do and we will give you the tracking logs you need.
- Return the logs with the required information NO later than August 10 to redeem prizes.



2. Online Logging with Beanstack <https://fayettelibrary.beanstack.org> **SITE AVAILABLE BEGINNING MAY 26**

Beanstack is a website and mobile app that has been called the Fitbit for reading! You create an account, add your child and then all programs they are old enough to join are available for registration. You log their reading time and activities to earn digital badges, and when you are finished the system lets you know you can come on in to the library to redeem your prizes! No papers to keep up with! You can also log reading that is not part of our challenges and use the system to get booklists and information about library events.

The paper and online programs are IDENTICAL. You can only participate in ONE or the OTHER, not both.