

Summer Reading Rules

The Summer Reading Program is open to children who have completed fifth grade and under—including infants, toddlers and preschoolers.

Kids age 3+ will receive a book bag, free book, and other goodies, including a ball chain or keychain at registration. They will then keep track of how many minutes they read or are read to and earn beads and brag tags to add to their chains. Kids earn a bead for each 30 minutes read or event they participate in, and they may add a sticker to our sticker art poster. Thirty minutes read and each event equals 30 points on READSquared. Earn 12 beads or 360 points (240 points must be from reading) and receive another brag tag, an ice cream coupon, and an entry into the grand prize drawing. Children may earn more than one brag tag and grand prize entry but will only receive one ice cream coupon. We will be giving away an art kit, Adventureland tickets, and 3 month subscription to Kiwi Crate. Other prizes may be added.

Children under 3 will receive a sheet with brain building activities to do with parents or caregivers. The sheet may be picked up at the library, printed from our website, or accessed on READSquared. The online program or paper sheets must be completed in full to earn a book, an entry in the grand prize drawing, and a goody bag. Families may do more than one sheet and earn a grand prize entry for each sheet, but will receive only one book and goody bag.

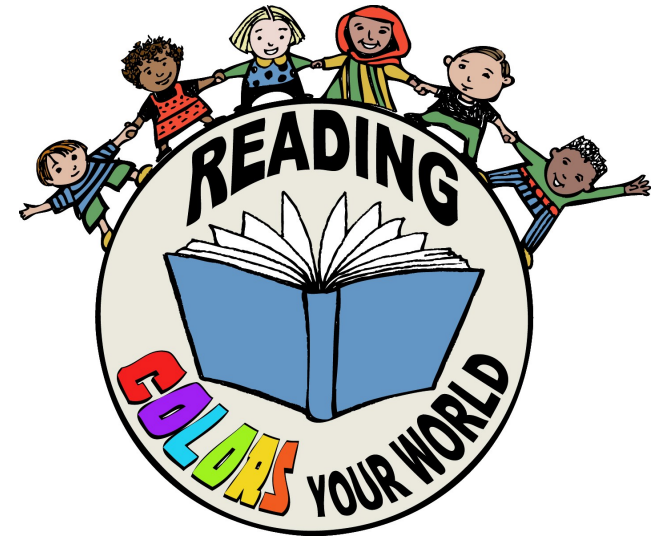
For the grand prize drawing, activity sheets and reading /program logs must be completed by 5 pm on July 31st. Grand Prize winners will be notified and posted on our Facebook page on August 2nd.



Dear Parents and Readers,

Welcome to the 2021 Summer Reading Program “Reading Colors Your World”! Due to COVID-19 there have been some changes to our program. As usual, there is an independent reading portion of the program and special events that relate to the program theme. The special events will be a combination of virtual, outdoors, and take and make. Participants of all ages are encouraged to register for the summer program in person OR at dyersvillelibrary.readsquared.com. You may also download the app for this program. Participation may be tracked via the READSquared webpage, app, or by paper. Virtual events may be viewed on the library’s Facebook page or YouTube channel. The reading program will run June 14 through July 31.

June 14– July 30 the JKPL parking lot will be the distribution site for free meals for children 18 and under. There are no income guidelines, all children are welcome! Meals will be served from 11:30 am to 12:15 pm every weekday except for July 2nd. For more information on summer menus, meal times, and locations visit <http://www.wdbqschools.org/FoodNutrition.aspx>. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.



2021 Summer Reading Program Information June 14-July 31

JAMES KENNEDY PUBLIC LIBRARY
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EVENT DETAILS



Please note: Programs in red are held in person but off site. All take and make kits are available while supplies last.

Participate in events below to earn 30 points, a bead, and add a sticker to our collaborative poster.

June 1-30: Westside Park StoryWalk®: If You Plant a Seed by Kadir Nelson. Families are invited to walk the new StoryWalk® at Westside Park. It begins south of the parking lot by the baseball diamonds. Walk the trail and read the story. Scan the QR code on the last post and answer the questions to be entered for a monthly prize drawing. No QR scanner? No problem! Use the tiny url listed below the QR code, answer the questions and be entered into the prize drawing. There will be a new story posted on the first of each month through November. The StoryWalk® is made possible by the Dubuque Racing Association, Friends of the Library, and the Richard Osterhaus Memorial Fund. *The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.*

June 14-June 30: Color Scavenger Hunt. Included in the children's summer reading registration packet is a page of different color swatches, with room for writing below each color. Take your color swatch sheet and search the library stacks in the children's area to find books that match the swatches. You may work together as a family to find all the colors. Turn in your completed sheet for a bead and to add a sticker to the collaborative poster. All ages welcome.

June 14-July 16: Chalk the Block for Summer Reading. In honor of the summer reading theme "Reading Colors Your World", we will be bringing creativity and color to downtown Dyersville. Children and families can stop at the library and pick up sidewalk chalk and the name and address of a local business. Take your chalk to that business and make the sidewalk come alive with color. All ages welcome.

June 14-July 25: Color Your Plate with Fruits and Vegetables. Check out the library's Facebook page or YouTube channel for a video from Miss Kim on coloring your plate with fruits and vegetables. Then use the Color Your Plate page included in the children's summer reading registration packet to collect all the stickers from the fresh produce you eat. Fill the page to earn a bead and to add a sticker to the collaborative poster. All ages welcome.

Monday, June 21: Mosaics Color Your World.

Visit the library's Facebook page or YouTube channel to see a mosaic take and make craft demonstrated. Then head to the library to pick up your own kit to create a beautiful mosaic! Base and mosaic pieces included. You supply the glue. All ages welcome.

Saturday, June 26: World of Bubbles with Absolute Science @ the Dyersville Downtown Market from 9 am - 11 am. Bubbles, bubbles, bubbles! Celebrate summer reading with over ten bubble stations. Kids of all ages are invited to come to the Downtown Market and blow bubbles of all sizes. Stations will be social distanced and wands disinfected between uses. All ages welcome. Sponsored by the Friends of the JKPL.

Monday, June 28: Color in the Universe.

Have you ever wondered what's on the dark side of the moon? Or whether space dust is clouding our view of the universe? Everything we see when we look through a telescope or at pictures of stars, planets, and galaxies is made up of electromagnetic radiation. Although we can only see a fraction of this radiation, there's plenty to see and explore in our universe! Visit the library's Facebook page or YouTube channel to see a fun Color in the Universe take and make kit demonstrated. Kit will include all supplies needed except for paint safe clothing and scissors. All ages welcome. **Allergen alert: Kit will include sandwich cookies.

July 1-25: Rainbow Nature Hunt. Stop at the library and pick up a Rainbow Nature Hunt guide. Explore outdoors and find items in nature that match the colors. Tape or glue the item on the matching color line. Is it alive and you can't glue it down? Just draw it, or write the name of the item on the line. Find something for each color and earn a bead and add a sticker to our collaborative poster. All ages welcome.

July 1-31: Westside Park StoryWalk®: The Box Turtle by Vanessa Roeder.

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Tuesday, July 6: Color Your World with Sculpture.

Visit the library's Facebook page or YouTube channel to see air dry clay sculpture demonstrated. Then pick up this fun take and make kit to create a colorful sculpture. Kits will include air dry clay, paint, paint brush, and sealant. All ages welcome. Sponsored by Spoden Construction.

Monday, July 12: Painting in a Jar. Visit the library's Facebook page or YouTube channel to see painting in a jar demonstrated. Then head to the library to pick up this take and make kit appropriate for all ages. All supplies are included in the kit. Adult supervision recommended for younger children.

Saturday, July 17: Story Time in the Park @ 10 am.

Join Miss Kim for a fun, in-person socially distanced family story time at the Westside Park picnic shelter. We will read stories, sing songs, and do a fun activity. All ages welcome. *Masks are recommended. If it is raining, the program will be cancelled.*

Tuesday, July 20: Creating Art with Nature. Pick up a take and make kit at the library then search your backyard or area parks for pinecones, leaves, rocks and other fun things with which to create art! Need inspiration? Check out our Facebook page and YouTube channel for a demonstration to get you started. Kits include paper, paint, and instructions. You provide natural items, markers, and imagination. All ages welcome.

Saturday, July 31: Toto Johnson @ the Dyersville Downtown Market from 9 am - 11 am. Celebrate the end of the Children's Summer Reading Program with world acclaimed performer Toto Johnson! Toto has travelled the world and entertained crowds in Europe and Asia. He spent years working for Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus. He will be bringing his stellar still walking, juggling and balloon sculpting skills to Dyersville to celebrate our Summer Reading Program. Don't miss seeing Toto in person! All ages welcome. Sponsored by the Friends of the JKPL.



Check the library website, calendar, or Facebook page for information on preschool story times, library programs at the Farmer's Market, and other fun family activities that will be available all summer.