



ADVENTURE *BEGINS AT YOUR* LIBRARY™



summer reading program • may 24–august 2, 2024

SIOUXLANDLIB.ORG/SUMMER-READING-PROGRAM



Prepare your child for school by providing fun, interactive opportunities to explore and learn using five simple practices: reading, talking, writing, playing, and singing. All five practices develop strong reading skills that are fundamental to a child's future success, foster healthy brain development, improve language skills, and promote family engagement. Help your child get ready to read by following along the adventures. Completing 15 adventures earns your child a prize. Complete all 30 adventures for an additional finisher's prize and to be entered into the grand prize drawing. One log per participant. **Last day to pick up prizes is August 16.**

Read

- Find out the details of your library's summer reading program.
- Have a family storytime. Each person picks a book.
- Read a book about camping.
- Go to the library and check out a new book.
- Point out words everywhere you go today.
- Read a book about summer.

Write

- Use playdough to shape your child's first name.
- Spend time drawing together.
- Play with chalk outside.
- Write a short message and tuck it in your child's shoe. Read it together when your child finds it.
- Spend time scribbling today with markers, crayons, pens, pencils, and chalk.
- Pop bubble wrap or play with squirt toys to develop muscles needed for writing.

Talk

- Summer is here! Talk about what to expect in Summertime like hotter weather, swimming, hiking, and camping.
- Point to and name body parts. *Where is your mouth? Where are your ears? Toes?*
- Ask your child questions that have more than a yes or no answer. What is something fun we did today, and what can we do tomorrow?
- Talk about your family's plans for today. What is your child excited to do or see?
- Talk about your feelings. What made you happy?
- Play show and tell to build speaking confidence. Everyone chooses something they're interested in and talks about it.

Sing

- Sing or say "Itsy Bitsy Spider."
- Play "Echo Me." Clap, stomp, or beat a drum and have your child repeat the noise.
- Sing or say "Wheels on the Bus."
- Play "Freeze" while dancing to music. When the music stops, everyone has to freeze.
- Sing "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star."
- Make music with things you have in the house like pots, pans, spoons, boxes, and cups.

Play

- Blow bubbles today. This strengthens muscles needed for speech.
- Use a flashlight to create shadows on a wall and let children create characters or animals to tell a story.
- Play with blocks. What can you make?
- Go on an outside scavenger hunt. Make a list and check off the items as you see them.
- Make a tent out of blankets and pretend to be camping in the forest.
- Set up an obstacle course and give your child directions.



If you are unable to complete an adventure, you can read a book of your choice instead.

Name: _____ Age: _____

Email Address: _____ Phone: _____

READsquared Username: _____ Password _____



Outdoor Water Play

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
June 18	10-11 a.m.	Prairie West
July 11	10-11 a.m.	Ronning
July 16	10-11 a.m.	Baltic
July 17	10-11 a.m.	Brandon
July 18	10-11 a.m.	Garretson
July 19	10-11 a.m.	Valley Springs
July 23	10:30-11:30 a.m.	Crooks
July 24	10:30-11:30 a.m.	Humboldt
July 25	10:30-11:30 a.m.	Hartford
July 26	10:30-11:30 a.m.	Colton
July 31	9:30-10:30 a.m.	Oak View
August 2	9:30-10:30 a.m.	Caille



Adventure Awaits *(Summer Sensory Play)*

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
June 4	10-11 a.m.	Baltic
June 5	10-11 a.m.	Brandon
June 6	10-11 a.m.	Garretson
June 7	10-11 a.m.	Valley Springs
June 13	10-11 a.m.	Ronning
June 25	10:30-11:30 a.m.	Crooks
June 26	10:30-11:30 a.m.	Humboldt
June 27	10:30-11:30 a.m.	Hartford
June 28	10:30-11:30 a.m.	Colton
July 10	9:30-10:30 a.m.	Oak View
July 23	9:30-10:30 a.m.	Prairie West
August 2	10-11 a.m.	Downtown

Siouxland Libraries Present the ZooMobile

DATE	TIME	LOCATION
June 10	10:30-11:30 a.m.	Caille
June 21	10-11 a.m.	Baltic
June 25	10-11 a.m.	Prairie West
June 26	9:30-10:30 a.m.	Oak View
August 8	10-11 a.m.	Ronning

PARK & PLAY

Get ready for a fun-filled morning at the park! We're bringing the joy of reading, playing, and storytelling straight to you with storytime, crafts, the Bookmobile and Mobile Rec. Unit.

June 12 | 9-11 a.m. | Laurel Oak Park July 16 | 9-11 a.m. | Spellerberg Park
June 29 | 9-11 a.m. | Granite Valley Park July 26 | 9-11 a.m. | Sertoma Park

BOOK WALK

Walk a path lined by the pages of a story at McKennan Park. Watch Storyland Theatre perform "The Wizard of Oz" at 10 a.m. Learn about the summer reading program, and receive an activity.

June 20 | 9:30-11:15 a.m. | McKennan Park



GRAND PRIZES

Five grand prizes will be given out. The last day for grand prize entries is August 2.



HALF-WAY POINT & FINISHER PRIZES*

Complete 15 adventures to receive a half-way prize (Goldfish or GoGO Squeeze Apple Sauce Pouch). Complete all 30 adventures for your choice of noise maker, finger puppet, or bendable figurines.



*Available while supplies last