



This Summer, Explore What YOUR Local Library Has to Offer!

Summer Reading Programs, Drawing Classes, Puppet Shows, Street Fairs, Pizza Taste Offs, Interactive Theater Experiences, Reading Dog Therapy Sessions, Library Sleepovers, Yoga Classes...



Kids Robotics Camps, Street Fairs, Family Drum Circles, Illustrated Talks, Sign Language Introductory Classes, Sci-Fi Workshops, Parachute Games, Cultural Presentations, Music Extravaganzas, Jester Shows...

"Summer is the perfect time to crack open a book and let your mind explore. The outstanding libraries in the 103rd Assembly district offer our kids an incredible set of resources and programming, from sing-alongs and art classes to exciting summer reading initiatives. Libraries, which have evolved over time into important community hubs, also provide children with chances to continue learning outside of school and let families connect with one another. I invite you to take a look at the many special opportunities you will find at your local library and to sign up for my office's [Summer Reading and Exercise Challenge](#). Get ready to read and exercise your way through a summer of fun!"



-Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill

Elting Memorial Library

-This year's theme is "On Your Mark, Get Set...READ!" It runs from June 27-August 19. Children ages 3 to 12 may sign up and keep track of how many days they read with a special reading record and stickers. For every seven days they read, they get a small prize and chance to fill out a raffle ticket for the end of summer raffle.

Be sure to check out:

-"Jester Jim" on Thursday, July 28 at 4:00pm. Kids in the audience help create music for this performance full of comedy, juggling and songs.

Why is it important students spend their summer reading?

-Children who read during the summer maintain or increase their reading level.

Visit <http://www.ellinglibrary.org/>

Town of Esopus Library

-This year's theme is "Get Ready, Get Set...READ!" It runs from June 24-August 30. Kids are rewarded when they read 15 books or complete a milestone on their gameboard. Once they do activities on the gameboard, they can come in and get a prize.

Be sure to check out:

-"Ivy Vine Players Puppet Show" on Saturday, August 13 from 1:00-3:00pm! Visit the new Kids Garden then settle in for an amazing puppet show about gardening with songs, puppets and stories.

What is the most critical thing a child can do early on to instill good reading habits?

-Watch parents and grown-ups read and be read to.

Visit <http://esopuslibrary.org/>

Gardiner Library

-This summer, Gardiner Library is working with the Gardiner Rec. Camp to bring groups in on Mondays and Wednesdays to encourage younger children to play board games with the older kids. After they finish playing, the children come into the library and choose books to check out. They are having a blast!

Be sure to check out:

-"Drawing Class with Reilly Weinstein" on Monday, August 1 at 4:00pm. This class will focus on developing fundamental drawing skills and will work with learning and understanding the basic proportions of the face and the body, the figure-ground relationship and the technical methods of creating dimension, depth and texture.

Visit <http://www.gardinerlibrary.org/>

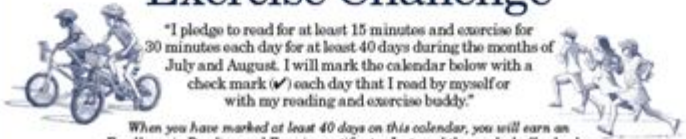
<p><u>Hurley Library</u> -This year's theme is "On Your Mark, Get Set...READ!" It runs for 10 weeks from June 27-August 31. Children should complete at least 20 minutes of reading per day for five days every week in order to earn their achievement stickers and a weekly prize from the treasure box.</p> <p>Be sure to check out: -"Parachute Palooza", Wednesday, August 17 at 2:00pm! Join in a game of popcorn, making waves, merry-go-round and more!</p> <p>What would you like to inspire youth to read about? -Acceptance. Reading stories about people who are seen as different because of the way they look, act, or who they fall in love with helps us rise above our limited experience and focus on what really matters.</p> <p>Visit http://hurlelibrary.org/</p>	<p><u>Kingston Library</u> - This year's theme is "On Your Mark, Get Set...READ!" for kids, "Get in the Game - Read" for teens and "Exercise Your Mind - Read!" for adults. The programs run from June 25-August 18 (Children), July 8-August 15 (Teens) and July 1-July 30 (Adults).</p> <p>Be sure to check out: -"Eighth Annual Pizza Taste Off" for Teen Summer Reading '16 on Friday, August 5 from 1:00-3:00pm. Help decide who makes the best pizza in town by taste testing pizzas all over Kingston.</p> <p>What is the most critical thing a child can do early on to instill good reading habits? -Spend lots of times around books. Go to the library as often as possible and choose the books you like.</p> <p>Visit www.kingstonlibrary.org/</p>	<p><u>Morton Memorial Library- Pine Hill</u> -This year's theme is "Summer Reading Bingo." It runs from June 3 to August 26. Once the participant has completed bingo, they bring their bingo board into the library and receive a prize!</p> <p>Be sure to check out: - "Fourth Annual Library Street Fair" on Saturday July 23 from 10:00am-4:00pm! Come enjoy music, used books, a bake sale, bubbles, a plant sale, a silent auction, an Arm of the Sea Theater Production and more!</p> <p>What is the most critical thing a child can do early on to instill good reading habits? -Read every single day. Even if it's just a short children's book, or a chapter in a young adult book, I would like children to make reading a part of everyday life.</p> <p>Visit http://pinehilllibrary.org/</p>
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<p><u>Morton Memorial Library – Rhinecliff</u> -This year's theme is "On Your Mark, Get Set...READ!" It runs for six weeks. There is no minimum number of titles or minutes to read per week.</p> <p>Be sure to check out: -"Photographing in the National Parks" with NPAN's Gabriel Biderman on Saturday August 20, 7:00-9:00pm.</p> <p>What is the most critical thing a child can do early on to instill good reading habits? -To look upon reading as something fun and then as a consequence to learn something, whether it is as simple as learning that they prefer fiction to non-fiction, or that they don't like dystopian literature.</p> <p>Visit morton.rhinecliff.lib.ny.us/</p>	<p><u>Olive Free Library</u> -This year's theme is "Fitness and Nature Appreciation". It runs seven weeks. Kids set their own reading goals and get raffle tickets for reading at least 30 minutes per day.</p> <p>Be sure to check out: -An illustrated talk by Stephen Silverman, author of "The Catskills: Its History and How It's Changed America" on Saturday July 16 at 4:00pm.</p> <p>What are some topics you'd like to inspire youth to read about? -Whatever interests them! They should know that they can learn much more deeply about anything they are interested in by reading a book rather than looking it up on the internet.</p> <p>Visit http://olivefreelibrary.org/</p>	<p><u>Phoenicia Library</u> -There isn't a set theme this year but the program runs for six weeks, July 5-August 20 and there is no minimum reading requirement.</p> <p>Be sure to check out: -"Kids Robotics Camp" from Wednesday July 20 – Friday July 22 from 9:30am-12:30pm. This workshop will teach kids to build and program complex robots using the Lego Mind storm robotics kit, allowing them to remain focused on using technology as a tool.</p> <p>Why is it important students spend their summer reading? -Books open worlds of adventure and information that you might otherwise never see.</p> <p>Visit phoenicialibrary.org/</p>
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Remember to Sign Up for Assemblymember Kevin Cahill's Summer Reading and Exercise Program!

- 1) Read for 15 minutes a day
- 2) Exercise for 30 minutes a day
- 3) Complete both activities for 40 days during July and August
- 4) Come celebrate at the Summer Reading awards Ceremony in October!
- 5) To sign up call 845-338-9610
Or email Fernandeze@nyassembly.gov

Assemblymember Kevin A. Cahill's Summer Reading and Exercise Challenge



I pledge to read for at least 15 minutes and exercise for 30 minutes each day for at least 40 days during the months of July and August. I will mark the calendar below with a check mark (✓) each day that I read by myself or with my reading and exercise buddy.

When you have marked at least 40 days on this calendar, you will earn an Excellence in Reading and Exercise certificate. Just send the marked-off calendar and the completed form to my office and I will award your child with a New York State Excellence in Reading and Exercise certificate.

July 2016

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August 2016

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Special thanks goes to the New York State Education Department's Division of Library Development and librarians across the state for their help.

Plattekill Public Library
 -This year's theme is "On Your Mark, Get Set...READ!" for kids, "Get in the Game, Read" for teens and "Exercise Your Mind" for adults. Children are asked to count their number of books read based on their grade.

Be sure to check out:
 -An afternoon or evening of "Reading Dog Therapy" on Wednesday, August 10 from 5:00-6:00 pm and Saturday, August 27 from 1:00-2:00pm.

Why is it important students spend their summer reading?
 -It exercises their brain and is loads of fun!

Visit <http://plattekill.lib.ny.us/>

Red Hook Public Library
 -There is a national theme of "Get Up and Go" and Red Hook is basing their summer-end party on that theme by having life-sized versions of well-known games like Jenga, Hungry Hungry Hippos and Tic Tac Toe. There is also an on-going emphasis on STEM-related programs and many of their camps are based on that. Core summer programming runs from July 1 to August 5 though the "Battle of the Books" extends until September.

Be sure to check out:
 -"Ferdinand and the Violin" on Saturday July 23 at 11:00 am, an interactive musical event for children.

Visit <http://redhooklibrary.org/>

Rosendale Library
 -This year's theme is "On Your Mark, Get Set...READ!" It runs for seven weeks. There is no minimum number of titles or minutes to be read per week.

Be sure to check out:
 -"Evan Gottfried's Family Music Extravaganza" on Tuesday, July 19 at the Rosendale Recreation Center from 3:00-4:00 pm. Come along with Evan on his musical adventure where everyone gets to be a kid! Get ready to shake, shine like a rainbow and bubble over with excitement.

What is your advice to students participating in this program?
 -Have fun and read!

Visit <http://rosendalelibrary.org/>

Starr Library
 -"Ready, Set, Grow!" is Starr's theme. They are complimenting the summer reading program with a grant they received from a local organization to teach the town camp children about planting and composting. It runs six weeks.

Be sure to check out:
 -The ninth annual "Starr Sleepover" on Friday, August 12 from 5:30-11:00 pm! Children ages 6-11 can bring their sleeping bag, pillow and PJs for a night of books, crafts, pizza, a treasure hunt, a movie and more.

What are some topics you'd like to inspire youth to read about?
 -Being kind and thoughtful, taking care of each other and the earth, the importance of being outdoors, where food comes from and how to make wise eating choices.

Visit <http://starrlibrary.org/>

Stone Ridge Public Library
 -They are using the New York State Summer Reading Theme "On Your Mark, Get Set...READ!" It runs six weeks and participants can keep track of how many minutes they read each week and turn in their reading logs to receive prizes and incentives for reading.

Be sure to check out:
 -"Vladimir Goes for Gold!" - An interactive theater experience presented by Traveling Lantern Theater Company, taking place on Wednesday July 27, 2:00-3:00pm.

What are some topics you'd like to inspire youth to read about?
 -In addition to bringing science into the weekly themes, Stone Ridge encourages children (and parents) to read graphic novels.

Visit www.stoneridgelibrary.org/

Tivoli Free Library
 -This year's theme is "On Your Mark, Get Set...READ!" and runs for eight weeks and requires 30 minutes a day.

Be sure to check out:
 -"Drum to the Beat Family Drum Circle" on Saturday, July 16 from 2:00-3:00pm. Join in a lively family drum circle workshop representing a diverse range of cultures including West African, Native American, South American and Asian.

What are some topics you'd like to inspire youth to read about?
 -Tivoli would love for children to read more of their nonfiction books. They have books about almost anything you may be interested in, from cars to ghosts, from dinosaurs to the Civil War! Come learn something new with Tivoli Free Library this summer!

Visit <http://tivolilibrary.org/>

<p>Town of Ulster Public Library -This year's theme is "Run through the Decades!" It runs six weeks and is done by number of books read. This year, the End of Summer Reading Party is a sock hop! Be sure to check out: -"Yoga for Kids" on Saturday, July 23 at 3:00pm! This creative yoga class provides children ages 5-12 with a chance to stretch and strengthen their bodies, relax their minds and have fun! What is the most critical thing a child can do early on to instill good reading habits? -It may be more of what the parent can do, read from birth and read aloud! Visit http://townofulsterlibrary.org/</p>	<p>West Hurley Public Library - This year's theme is "On Your Mark, Get Set...READ!" It runs for 10 weeks, 120 minutes per week. Be sure to check out: -"American Sign Language Introductory Class" on the following Mondays: July 18, July 25, August 1 and August 8, all from 4:30-5:30pm. Instruction will be on the alphabet, manual finger spelling, numbers 1-20 and basic American Sign Language signs. What are some topics you'd like to inspire youth to read about? -Anything having to do with the natural world around them. Visit http://westhurleylibrary.org/</p>	<p>Woodstock Public Library -This year's theme is "On Your Mark, Get Set...READ!" It runs for nine weeks. There will also be a Final Day Dance Party with Uncle Rock and ice cream! There is also a Woodstock Library Teen Summer Reading Program Card. Be sure to check out: -"Sci-Fi & Fantasy Film Making" on Saturday, August 20, 12:30-4:30pm. In collaboration with Spark Media Project, this workshop teaches teens the basics of this exciting genre and filmmaking. What are some topics you'd like to inspire youth to read about? -Relationships, travel and history. Visit http://www.woodstock.org/</p>
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For more information on each library's programming, including age ranges and prices, as well as end-of -summer celebrations/events, please visit their websites through the provided URL.



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