

Crook County Library

Summer Reading 2018 FAQ

Signing Up and Logging Your Reading

How do I register for the Summer Reading Program?

Visit the library or go to www.crooklib.org starting June 13 to sign up for the program. You can pick up your reading logs, program schedule, and registration bag at the Library. **Registration for the reading log portion of the program closes at 11:59 PM on Saturday, July 7.**

Which program should I sign up for?

When you use our Summer Reading registration portal at www.crooklib.org, you will be given the option to register for the youth program, the teen program, or the adult program. Each program has its own reading log with its own rules.

If you/your child are currently enrolled in preschool, elementary school or an equivalent program (including homeschool), or if you/your child are not in school and are between the ages of 0 and 12, please register for the **Youth Summer Reading Program**.

Youth who completed the 5th grade in 2018 may choose to register for the Youth or Teen Summer Reading Program, but not both.

If you are currently enrolled in middle or high school or an equivalent program (including homeschool), or if you are not in school and are between the ages of 13 and 18, please register for the **Teen Summer Reading Program**.

Teens who graduated from high school in 2018 may choose to register for the Teen or Adult Summer Reading Program, but not both.

If you are over the age of 18 and are neither enrolled in nor a recent graduate of a K-12 program, please register for the **Adult Summer Reading Program**.

What do I get for signing up?

If you're enrolled in the Youth or Teen Summer Reading Program, you get a **free book**, a **book bag**, and a **reading log**. You'll also get some useful info about programs happening outside the library, like the Oregon College Savings Plan and the USDA's Summer Meals.

If you're enrolled in the Adult Summer Reading Program, you get a **book bag** and a **reading log**. You're an adult; you gotta earn that free book. Delayed gratification, man.

How do I log my reading?

B-I-N-G-O is the name-o of the game-o (sorry, too much?) Each participant receives a Bingo card full of reading and experience challenges. We recommend tackling one challenge per day so that you can get the most out of your Summer Reading.

Each Bingo card is broken up into three challenge levels. Starting on July 16, you can come to the library to redeem each completed challenge level for prizes and a chance to WIN a grand prize!

Youth

Level I: Fill in the outside border of the Bingo sheet; get 1 drawing ticket.

Level II: Fill in any 42 Bingo squares; get 1 drawing ticket and 1 free book

Level III: Blackout; get 1 drawing ticket, 1 free book, and a \$5 gift card

Teen

Level I: Fill in a row or a column; get 1 drawing ticket and 1 \$5 gift card

Level II: Fill in any 25 Bingo squares or make a crosshair pattern; get 1 drawing ticket, 1 Fine Forgiveness coupon, and 1 free book

Level III: Blackout; get 1 drawing ticket, 1 Fine Forgiveness coupon, and 1 \$5 gift card.

Adult

Level I: Fill in 2 rows or 2 columns; get 1 drawing ticket

Level II: Fill in any 28 Bingo squares or make a stair pattern; get 1 free book and 1 drawing ticket

Level III: Blackout; get 1 drawing ticket.

What counts as “reading?”

Heck, what *doesn't* count as “reading?” Books, e-books, magazines, newspapers, comics and graphic novels, blogs, Twitter feeds, unusually wordy cereal boxes – all of these count as “reading” for the purposes of the Summer Reading Program. Reading out loud and being read to also counts, whether it's a text-to-speech program, an audiobook narrator, or your mommy doing the reading (Hi, Mommy!).

Do the things I read have to come from the library?

Heck no.

I'm a kid or a teen; I read 45 minutes today. Does that mean I get to fill in three 15 minute Bingo squares?

Nope! One 15 minute Bingo square = one day where you read for 15 minutes or more. Like I said, ya gotta stre-e-e-e-tch it out (like taffy, Spanx, or your hammies) to keep your reading habits sharp through the lazy days of summer.

What's the Weekly Challenge Drawing, and how do I win?

Each week, we give away a cool, age-inclusive prize to the winner of our weekly Summer Reading Challenge prize drawing. The Summer Reading Challenge is published weekly in the Roundup and distributed at the library and at partner locations. When you've finished your challenge and, sign it with your name and your contact info and drop it off in the box by the doors into the library proper. We draw for prizes every Wednesday.

When can I enter to win a grand prize?

You can bring your completed logs to the main service desk at the library from Monday, July 16 to Tuesday, August 7 and redeem them for your drawing tickets and other prizes. **We will not accept reading logs before July 16.**

When is the drawing for the grand prizes?

The drawing for the grand prizes will occur at the Finale Party on August 7.

Why do you need my/my child's name and demographic information?

We collect demographic information, including first and last names, of people who sign up for the reading log portion of the Summer Reading Program. We use names to track people's progress through the three stages of the program; after the programs, names are kept in a secure place until they can be destroyed per government records retention laws. **Names are not shared with anyone outside the library.** Demographic information (age and gender) is used to report back to our grant funders, including the State Library of Oregon and the Friends of the Library.

Demographic and contact information that is submitted for prize drawings, including the Weekly Challenges, is destroyed as soon as the drawings/programs are complete.

Attending Events

Do I have to register for the Summer Reading Program in order to attend an event?

Nope! All events are free and open to the public.

Do I have to have a library card to attend an event?

Nope!

Do I have to have a squeaky clean library record to attend an event?

Nope!

Do I need to be a Crook County resident to attend an event?

Nope!

Do I n...

I'm'a stop you right there chief. **Our events are free and open to the public, and that means you.** Come one, come all!

Of course, some programs are more suitable for some age groups than others. This is the general breakdown:

Family Storytime programs are targeted to children ages 0-6 and their families. NOTE: We strive to make Family Storytime inclusive of all children and families. If you would like to request accommodations for a child with an autism spectrum disorder, a sensory processing disorder, or another type of disability, contact Youth Services Librarian Mary Ryan at (541) 447-7978 ext. 306.

You Rock Camp is a new, limited-term program targeted to children just entering, attending, or just leaving grades K-5. You Rock Camp runs July 23 to August 3 on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 9:00 – 11:30 AM. Unlike Family Storytime, preregistration is required; registration forms are due by July 14. Your child does not have to attend every day of the camp; however, for planning purposes, we are asking parents to indicate which days their child would like to attend on the registration form. Parents may choose to attend the program with their children. **Because the library is not a licensed childcare provider, parents must stay on library premises during the program and must give accurate contact information.**

Teen Late Night and Robot Rock! programs are open to teens and preteens just entering, attending, or just leaving grades 6-12. Because we want to create a dedicated space for our teen participants, we restrict participation to those in this age/grade bracket (in other words, mom has to

wait in the car, but don't worry – we have at least two adults present at all teen programs). Parents do not have to stay on library premises during the program.

Excellent Adventures programs are targeted to a wide range of ages, interests, and skill levels. Children and teens are welcome to attend; however, some programs are more developmentally appropriate for older or younger audiences. Suggested age ranges for individual programs are noted in the program and in library marketing.

Wondering if a program is appropriate for you or someone you know? Contact our Assistant Director Jane Schepke at (541) 447-7978 ext. 316.

What should I bring to outdoor events?

We recommend that all participants in outdoor events bring comfortable shoes for walking, a hat or visor, and sunscreen. Water bottles will be provided at outdoor events, but we encourage participants to bring their own.

How physically challenging is the Geology Walk?

All of the outdoor events involve easy-to-moderate walks, with little to no elevation gain and paved or maintained gravel trails. Participants have the option to stick to paved trails.

Can I bring my dog to library events?

Service dogs are welcome at all of our programs, indoor or outdoor, at the library or offsite. However, we respectfully ask that pets (be they dog, cat, bird, lizard, marmoset, etc.) and therapy or comfort animals stay at home, regardless of where the program is being held.