



**Message for parent newsletter/e-newsletter/website (for grades K through 6)**

Help your child join the Super Reader Squad!

The Milwaukee Public Library Summer Reading Program starts May 20. It's fun, free, and easy! Your child will be coming home with a Super Reader Reading Log. You can also pick one up at any Milwaukee Public Library. Sign up all summer long at your nearest MPL branch or online at [superreadersquad.org](https://superreadersquad.org). The choice is yours! Children can start reading and tracking on May 20. Visit any Milwaukee Public Library to collect prizes starting June 11. Kids have until August 30 to complete the Super Reader program and claim their prizes.

The Super Reader program helps children ages 12 and younger earn great prizes for reading during the summer. Children can choose what they read and are encouraged to read for fun. Joke books, comic books, magazines, sports books, online reading...it all counts! Reading independently, being read to, and listening to audio books all count as reading. As children read, they earn prizes including food coupons, free or reduced admission to fun places around town, a prize book to keep, and more!

Reading in summer can make a huge difference when children go back to school in the fall. Children can lose 2-3 months in reading skills if they don't read over the summer. These summer learning losses can add up, leaving some children years behind their peers by the time they reach high school. Join the Super Reader Squad and help children across Milwaukee avoid this loss by reading all summer long.

Children also learn more when they do more. Visit any Milwaukee Public Library this summer for free, family-friendly events, books and computers to use, and comfortable places to read and relax.

A library card is NOT required to sign up for Super Reader! However, if you want to get one, just stop in and ask about getting a free library card for you or your child.

Visit [superreadersquad.org](https://superreadersquad.org) to learn more!