



## Information for Parents about Davis County Library's Summer Reading Program

Every family is different, and each child in a family is unique. This year's summer reading program is designed to allow each family to create a reading experience based on your goals for you and your children that coordinates with your summer schedule.

There are four components to "On Your Mark, Get Set... Read!":

### 1. Programs

Each library will be introducing the program with an evening kick-off between June 6 and 10. Check the schedule for your library's kick-off. This is an open house program. You can bring the family anytime during the listed hours. Children will make their own lanyard for "brag tags," play games, and pick up their reading trackers. Staff will be available to explain the program to parents. Please note: The Syracuse Library uses the Syracuse Community Center for their programs. The address is noted on the schedule. It is important that library programs comply with the policies of this facility including completing our programs on time.

Starting June 13, each library will have two programs per week for the next five weeks with two final evening programs the last weeks in July. Programs will be held at the Syracuse branch on Mondays; at Centerville and Kaysville on Tuesdays; at Central and Headquarters, on Wednesdays; and at North and South on Thursdays. The afternoon programs begin at 3:00 p.m., except at the Headquarters Branch, where the afternoon program will begin at 4:00 p.m. The evening programs begin at 6:30 p.m. at Syracuse and at 7:00 p.m. at all other libraries. Take home a printed schedule, or check the schedule online at [www.daviscountyutah.gov/library](http://www.daviscountyutah.gov/library).

The programs emphasize health, physical fitness, teamwork and the Olympic Games. Can't make it at your regular branch? You are welcome to attend programs at any of our branches.

### 2. Tracking Reading Progress

Children can track their progress in reading minutes. Trackers will be available at any of our branches or online. For every 20 minutes a child reads, a reading recognition will be awarded. See your local branch for details.

### 3. Obtaining Brag Tags

This year the library will encourage children to complete a reading decathlon. We will have brag tags that represent 10 specific genres of books that they will earn as they read. The library will also have 3 medal tags representing the bronze, silver and gold medals that will be awarded for each five hours that a child reads. When your child has completed 5 hours of reading, a "Brag Tag" will be awarded; if they read a specific genre of book they will also earn that genre tag. Children can collect up to 13 different brag tags during the summer.

### 4. Visiting the KIDS' KAVE

The Library has a webpage designed especially for children called the "Kids Kave". In the KAVE are objects that link to information, games, and fun. Part of completing a reading tracker includes visiting the KAVE and finding out something new. The KIDS' KAVE is an ongoing part of the library's webpage, and the content changes throughout the year.

As a parent, you can tailor summer reading to meet your family's needs. Some children like programs; others just want to read. Many children are interested in finding and reading information on the web. Your family can, if they like, just complete trackers and receive brag tags. There are no hard-and-fast rules. That's the way summer ought to be. If you have questions, contact your library. We're glad to help.