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Explore Summer at Johnson County Public Library

Popular New Program Continues to Encourage Learning

FRANKLIN, Ind. – Join over 5500 participants who are Exploring Summer during Johnson County Public Library's new summer learning program. Together we've reached our Community Reading goal of 35,000 hours read this summer!

Explore Summer is a fun way to get the whole community engaged in learning with great prizes and exciting activities!

If you haven't joined us yet, it's not too late. Explore Summer runs through July 31. Visit any JCPL branch or pageafterpage.org/ExploreSummer to sign up for the program. Participants will receive a sign-up prize and a yard sign to help the library spread the word about the program. We'll be sending our Prize Patrol out Monday's in July to surprise that week's winner with a prize!

Our summer learning program isn't just for children. Whether you're a single, a family, a couple or a senior, we have something for everyone to enjoy. Join a book club, meet best-selling thriller writer Linwood Barclay, pet a live shark, visit a StoryWalk, learn to code and much more.

Participants can enter to win some fantastic prizes this year including for a Weekend Destination Package - choose French Lick, Great Wolf Lodge or downtown Indianapolis! When you read 10 hours this summer you'll receive a prize AND an entry into this grand prize drawing.

Remember to take part in our weekly learning challenges for a chance to win MORE prizes! While reading is at the core of our summer learning program, there are lots of ways to Explore Summer at the library! In addition to logging those reading hours, every Sunday this summer we will begin a new week of learning challenges! When you log your activities you will be entered into a prize drawing. Prizes have included a bike, a museum membership and an Indianapolis Indians Prize Pack!

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Don't forget...as you log your hours and complete the Weekly Learning Challenges, you're earning votes to help decide what the Library Prize for the community will be. Participants will be voting on adding either:

1. Video Game Collection - a selection of video games patrons can check out to play at home
2. Cooking Series - a monthlong FREE series on food and cooking
3. Expansion of our Library of Things - you know that we have items like ukuleles, board games and museum passes for checkout...how about even MORE items like tool kits, cooking equipment and reusable craft supplies?

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Learn more at pageafterpage.org/ExploreSummer or at any library branch! For more information, please contact Monica Harvey at 317-738-2957 or mharvey@jcplin.org.

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