

Who can participate in this program?

Any child who has not yet entered kindergarten.

Can you really expect to read 1,000 books to your child before kindergarten?

Yes! Completion will take from a few months to a few years, depending on how often you read.

Check out this handy chart:

Child's Age When 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is Started	Number of Books Read Per Day to Complete 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten	Number of Books Read Per Week to Complete 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten
0 Years Old	1	4
1 Year Old	1	5
2 Years Old	1	7
3 Years Old	2	10
4 Years Old	3	20

What books count?

Anytime your child listens to a while book it counts! It can be a library book, a book from home, a book read at storytime (yay!), even an audio book or e-book. You can even count multiple readings of the same book. (Multiple readings help to develop language skills!)

How do I register my child?

Stop by the circulation desk to register and pick up your first book log!



Don't forget to join us for storytimes!

Preschool (3-5): Wednesdays @ 10:00 a.m.

Toddler (18 months-2): Thursdays @ 10:00 a.m.

PiP (3-5): Fridays @ 1:00 p.m.

(PiP is for those already in preschool and cannot make it to Wednesday storytimes.)

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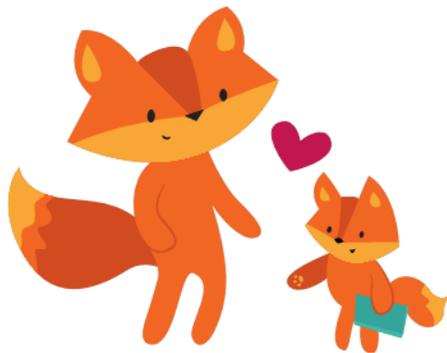
What is 1000 Books Before Kindergarten?

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is a program designed to help parents prepare their children for one of life's biggest milestones: Kindergarten!

Research has shown that children get ready to read years before they begin their formal education. An excellent way to get your child ready to learn is to read to them!

Why should my family participate in 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten?

Reading with your child and making it a special time together shows them that reading is valuable and enjoyable. You can begin to develop a love of reading in your child at a very young age!



Ready to Read!

You are your child's first teacher and your home is where your child begins to learn. When you talk, sing, read, write, and play together, you are helping your child get ready to read!

Through reading aloud, a child:

- Develops background knowledge about a variety of topics
 - Builds vocabulary
- Becomes familiar with rich language patterns
 - Develops familiarity with story structure
 - Acquires familiarity with reading
- Identifies reading as a pleasurable activity

(From Straight Talk About Reading: How Parents Can Make a Difference During the Early Years by Susan Hall and Louisa Moats)

Appreciation for the Library

By coming to the library together, you can teach your child an understanding of how the library works, a respectful attitude towards books, and an appreciation for the wide range of stories that can be found at the library!



"The single most important activity for building the knowledge required for eventual success in reading is reading aloud to children."

-U.S Department of Education,
Becoming a Nation of Readers