

HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE?

The program will take anywhere from a few months to a few years. The program is self-paced and will depend on how often you read together. If you read only 3 books a day to your child, you will complete the program in less than a year.



One book per day for 3 years
= 1,095 books read!



3 books per day for 1 years
= 1,095 books read!



10 books per week for 2 years
= 1,040 books read!



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LOCATION

Anna Reinstein Memorial Library
2580 Harlem Rd.
Cheektowaga, NY 14225

HOURS

Sunday: Closed
Monday: 12:00 PM - 08:00 PM
Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 05:00 PM
Wednesday: 12:00 PM - 08:00 PM
Thursday: 10:00 AM - 06:00 PM
Friday: Closed
Saturday: 9:00 AM - 05:00 PM

Anna Reinstein Memorial Library

1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN



WHAT IS IT ABOUT?



Good reading practices can start as early as birth. To help encourage our community's youngest readers, many Library locations have started a 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program.

Any child from birth to the day they enter Kindergarten is able to sign up for "1,000 Books before Kindergarten" which encourages reading to young children. This program is open to residents of Erie County.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Register for the program by visiting the front desk at the Anna Reinstein Library. After signing up, you and your child will receive a folder with your first reading log, a colored lanyard, and a button.

When your child completes a reading log they can return it to the Anna Reinstein library to receive a new button to put on their lanyard, their next reading log, and lots of cheers!

When they read 500 books or all 1,000 books they get a bigger prize!

WHAT COUNTS?

- Books from the library or home
- Books read at library storyhours you attend
- Books read on a tablet, e-reader, or phone
- Books on CD, Playaways, or other audio books
- Books in different languages
- A book read by any family member, teacher, etc.
- Books read for any library program throughout the year
- Books may be read more than once and recorded in your reading log each time

If you read the same book 12 times
- that counts as 12 books!

THE BENEFITS

LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

The number of words that a child knows on entering kindergarten is a key predictor of his or her future success.

INSTILL A LOVE OF READING

Your example demonstrates that reading is important, pleasurable and valued.

BRAIN DEVELOPMENT

The years from birth to age 3 are critical in the development of language skills.

SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Reading to very young children is linked to decreased levels of aggression, hyperactivity, and attention difficulties. There are also links to increases in empathy.

Source: Read Aloud 15 MINUTES non-profit organization and PBS