Summer Reading Fun 2026

A Resource for Washington Families

Keep the reading going all summer long! Whether you're in Seattle, Spokane, or somewhere in between, there are free programs, prizes, and challenges waiting for your reader. Here's what's available this summer:

Statewide Programs

UW Real Dawgs Read

Title I school students can opt in through their school, or any student can participate online. Submit a reading journal to earn a certificate and prize.

Pizza Hut Book It!

Elementary students log reading time to earn rewards, including free personal pan pizzas.

Barnes & Noble Summer Reading

Kids in grades 1-6 read any 8 books, journal about them, and earn a free book at participating stores.

Get Caught Reading with Cal

Cal Raleigh and PEMCO are encouraging K-12 students to read all year. Snap a photo of your child with a book for a chance to win autographed prizes.

Reading is Fundamental Summer Reading Challenge

A free challenge with activities, a printable reading log, book recommendations, and badges to earn along the way.

Seahawks Summer Reading Challenge

Presented by PEMCO Insurance, this special edition of the 12 Pages program lets kids log reading minutes for a chance to win prizes.

White House Summer Reading Challenge

In honor of America's 250th anniversary, children in grades K-8 are invited to read and track 12 books between June 1 and September 4. Participants receive a bookmark and prize, and are entered for a chance to visit Washington, D.C. and the White House.

National Book Foundation Summer Reading Adventure

Kids complete reading activities between May 27 and August 26 for chances to win book subscriptions, e-readers, and a grand prize trip to the National Book Awards Ceremony in New York City.

Half-Price Books Summer Reading

Activities, reading lists, and reading camp content, plus a chance to earn $5 in Bookworm Bucks during June and July.

Seattle Area

Seattle Public Library Summer Quest

Runs June 15 through summer. Kids earn prizes like books and PlayDate SEA tickets by logging reading and activities online or at any branch.

King County Library System

The Curious Creatures summer reading challenge runs June 7 through August 31 for youth 17 and under. Pick up a welcome kit, win prizes, and attend events all summer.

Washington Talking Book & Braille Library

A specialized program running June 15 - August 15, catering to kids who read using braille, large print, or audio formats. Reach out to erin.groth@sos.wa.gov for more information.

Spokane Area

Spokane Public Library Summer Reading Club

The Summer Reading Club runs June 1 through August 31. Kids earn free prizes for reading 15 days a month

Skagit Valley

Central Skagit Library Summer Reading Program

Free online program running June 1 through August 31.

Mount Vernon Summer Reading Program

Runs June 1 through August 31. Stop by the library to pick up a summer reading log, book bingo card, and a free book.

Snohomish County

Sno-Isle Libraries Summer Reading Program

The 2026 Sno-Isle Libraries Summer Reading program runs from June 1 through September 3. Kids and teens who read for at least 10 hours earn a free prize book and a sticker.

Tacoma Area

Tacoma Public Library Summer Reading Program

Runs June 2 through August 15. Readers of all ages complete 15 reading activities. Track progress on the TPL Beanstack Tracker or pick up a paper log at any of their 8 locations.

Pierce County Library System

Kids can take part in reading challenges, STEM events, and puppet shows throughout the summer.

Wenatchee / North Central Washington

NCW Libraries Community Bookmobile

A pop-up library hitting new stops across Chelan, Douglas, and Grant counties this summer. Offers books, audiobooks, crafts, free Wi-Fi, library card sign-up, and summer programming for all ages.

Link the Libraries Passport Program

NCW Libraries and Link Transit are partnering on a free activity running mid-May through August 31. Visit libraries across Chelan and Douglas counties by riding Link Transit buses, collect passport stamps, and earn prizes.

Yakima Valley

Yakima Valley Libraries Summer Reading Program

Open to babies, kids, teens, and adults. Track reading (around 20 minutes a day or 600 total minutes) through Beanstack to unlock activity badges and win weekly prizes like gift cards.