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EVPL's annual summer reading celebration begins June 1

Evansville, IN, May 2, 2022 – The Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library's annual summer reading celebration will kick off on <u>Wednesday, June 1</u>, and continue through Sunday, July 31.

This year's theme, <u>Our Summer: Growing Stories</u>, celebrates our environment and how it shapes our lives and our stories.

"All of our stories are shaped by the natural world around us," EVPL Programs Manager Erika Qualls Barnett said. "EVPL encourages everyone to be a part of growing our community's story by participating in Our Summer."

Here is how it works

- Readers of all ages are invited to participate. Participants will be grouped by age: ages 0-5, ages 6-8, ages 9-12, Teens, and Adults.
- To register, visit any EVPL location or an outreach event the library attends. All EVPL locations are hosting an annual summer reading celebration kickoff event on Wednesday, June 1. EVPL Central, EVPL McCollough, EVPL North Park, EVPL Oaklyn, and EVPL Red Bank's events will be 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. EVPL East, EVPL Stringtown, and EVPL West's events will be 3:00 to 4:00 pm.
- Once registered, you'll receive a registration prize that includes a coupon for a free book from the EVPL Foundation Summer Book Sale.
- Record books read on the log provided at registration. Return your log by Sunday, July 31, to be entered for our grand prize. Readers can finish multiple logs for additional entries.
- Once readers finish 10 books and return their log, they will also receive a completion prize.

Prizes for Our Summer include Evansville Otters tickets, Mesker Park Zoo passes, gift cards, and more.

For more information about Our Summer, visit evpl.org/OurSummer22.

The Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library has served our community for more than a century. With eight locations throughout Vanderburgh County, immediate access to hundreds of thousands of digital resources, and a dedicated team of library professionals, EVPL strives to create opportunities for you to discover, explore, and connect with your library. For more information, visit <u>evpl.org</u>.

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