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Re: 2018 Summer Reading Program at NOLS

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Check out your local NOLS library this summer for exciting activities that encourage reading, inspire creativity and learning, and provide opportunities to connect to your community.

Summer reading is great at any age, but is particularly important for young people. Kids who don't read during the summer can lose up to a third of what they learned in the previous school year. The Library's Summer Reading Program activities aim to engage young people and families to help prevent the "summer slide" and build a lifelong love of reading.

The 2018 Summer Reading Program includes a reading challenge with incentives to earn a free book and T-shirt, chances to win awesome grand prizes, and fun events for all ages happening both within and beyond Library walls. From music to magic, bowling parties to beach walks, storytimes to science - there's summer fun for everyone at NOLS!

Set your own daily reading goal. Whether you read for 20 minutes or 20 hours, it counts as a reading day! Track your reading from June 16 to August 18 and earn fabulous prizes made possible by local Friends of the Library groups! Earn a free book just for signing up, and receive

a NOLS Summer Reading Challenge T- shirt when you've read for 30 days! Also, for every 15 days you've read, you may submit a ticket in to the grand prize drawing for a chance to win a scenic plane ride with Rite Brothers Aviation, a Whale Watching Tour, a \$100 gift card to a local book store or restaurant, or a LEGO® set!

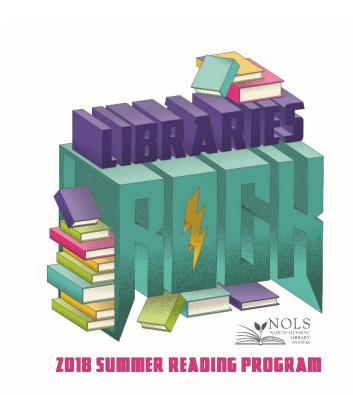
Sign up for the Summer Reading Challenge at your local NOLS branch beginning June 16. Celebrate the start of the Summer Reading Program with the Hands On Children's Museum at the Port Angeles Main Library, or building a planter box with The Home Depot at the Forks Branch Library.

More about the Summer Reading Program Kick-off Events

The Hands on Children's Museum stimulates curiosity, creativity and learning through fun, interactive exhibits and programs for children, families, and school groups. Located in Olympia, the museum is well known regionally as a destination for kids and families. Its participation in the Library's annual Summer Reading Program is part of an ongoing outreach to bring the museum to new audiences. Visit the Port Angeles Main Library on Saturday, June 16 between 10am-12pm to create your own kazoo, trace fossils, race "Rumble-Bots" and try out Makey-Makey creations with the Hands On Children's Museum.

Build your own planter box with employees from The Home Depot on Saturday, June 16 at 2pm at the Forks Branch Library! All supplies are generously provided by the Sequim Home Depot and store employees are volunteering their time to offer the workshops. An adult must accompany children under the age of 8. Participants are encouraged to bring their own hammers (if they have them), but, the Library will also have hammers available for use.

The Summer Reading Program is generously supported by the Friends of the Library at all four NOLS libraries. For more information about the Summer Reading Program and other events, visit www.nols.org/srp, call 360.417.8500, or email discover@nols.org.









The NOLS 2018 Summer Reading Program Begins June 16! # # #