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LIBRARY KICKS OFF SUMMER READING CHALLENGE THIS WEEK!

Your Reading Adventure Begins at St. Tammany Parish Library

ST. TAMMANY – St. Tammany Parish Library (STPL) will launch the 2024 Summer Reading Challenge (SRC) — Adventure Begins at Your Library — for all ages starting Thursday, May 23! Patrons can register in person at any of the Library's 12 branches starting May 23. Online preregistration for the challenge started on May 20 through the online reading log tracker, Beanstack. Patrons can begin their adventure at sttammanylibrary.org/SummerReading or at their favorite branch starting May 23.

Adventurers and readers of all ages are invited to the Library's two Summer Reading Kickoff Parties. This Library has decided to travel back in time, to medieval times, as both parties will be Renaissance Faire themed and costumes are highly encouraged! The first party will be held on May 23 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Slidell Branch (555 Robert Blvd.) and the second will be on May 24 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Madisonville Branch (1123 Main St.). Both events are free and open to the public. Event attendees will get a sneak peek of some of the events offered this summer as well as special guests and performances from [The PopRocks](#) and the [Northshore Chapter of the American Harp Society](#). For animal lovers, [St. Tammany Parish Government Department of Animal Services](#) will be on-site with knightly pups for adoption.

All of St. Tammany Parish Library branches provide the community with an enriching opportunity during the summer months. Through the Summer Reading Challenge (SRC), all residents are encouraged to engage in creative and literary activities. The SRC aims to address the detrimental impact of the "Summer Slide," a commonly defined term for the loss of academic progress or knowledge over the summer months for school-aged children. Not only children benefit from the SRC, but adults and teens do as well with age-curated classes and special guests throughout the summer. Patrons can learn about all of the upcoming SRC programming by checking out the Summer Reading Guide which is available for viewing at sttammanylibrary.org/SummerReadingGuide.

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Resources

- [Summer Reading Challenge](#)
- [Summer Reading Challenge Event Guide](#)
- [Beanstack](#)
- [Library Apps](#)
- [St. Tammany Parish Library Website](#)

The St. Tammany Parish Library has been serving the citizens of St. Tammany Parish for over seventy years. Our twelve branches offer over 542,000 loanable items including books, CDs, DVDs, audiobooks, and magazines. The library's website offers 24/7 access to downloadable audio and e-books, music downloads, research tools, magazines, and newspapers. Our programs and services are designed to meet residents' cultural, informational, educational, and recreational needs.
