

Summer Reading Club - Frequently Asked Questions

Registration

1. **When is Summer Reading Club (SRC) registration?** Registration begins Friday, June 1st (either online or in-person). No worries if you can't register immediately – it's ongoing throughout the Summer!
2. **Do I have to do it online? What if we prefer to write them down?** It's your choice! We have a new online program, Beanstack, that is very user-friendly and fun. You can do it at kids.emmaclark.org or download the Beanstack app. We'll also give each reader a paper log to fill out their book titles if they choose to write them down.
3. **Can my child register themselves online?** Yes, your child may register and create their own account online if they have their own email address that they can use. If not, the adult should register the child.
4. **After I register, what does "picking up my reusable book bag" mean?** We're going "green" this year! Once you register, you'll receive an email stating that you've registered and to come to the Library to pick up your free reusable book bag. While supplies last.
5. **My child can't read. Can we still register for SRC?** Any child from Birth to going into 6th Grade can sign up for SRC. You're never too young to learn to love reading. For children that can't read on their own yet, books can be read to them by mom, dad, grandma, grandpa, a nanny or anyone!
6. **Do we have to come into the Library every single week to do SRC? What if I'm on vacation one week or I'm really busy some weeks?** No, you don't have to come in every single week. We totally get it – we're all busy! You'll be able to log your books online while away. However, to pick up prizes and to enter our raffles, you do have to physically come to the Library.
7. **I can't make the Kick-Off or any of the "Reading Celebrations." Why should I join if we can't make the events?** Even if you can't make the big events, prizes are awarded each week, and we also have raffles each week. Besides, continuing to read over the summer is always beneficial!

Weekly Prizes

Prizes will be given to each child who has read & logged at least one book a week. In addition to weekly earned prizes, there are also cool raffles! Monday, June 25th begins the weekly prizes.

1. **If I do it online, how do I get the prizes?** You may log your books online, but you do need to come to the Library for your earned prizes and to enter the raffles.
2. **I missed a week of prizes. Can I double up and get two to catch up?** No, you cannot get more than one prize a week. However, because we run the program until August 31st, you will have plenty of time to get all the prizes!

Completing Summer Reading Club

1. **How many books do my kids have to read?** There's no set amount that they have to read. To receive a weekly prize and enter our raffles, they need to read at least one book that week. To complete SRC (and to be counted for the Emma Cup competition) each child needs to read at least 7 books for the summer.
2. **What does it mean to "complete" SRC?** To complete SRC (and to be counted for the Emma Cup competition) each child needs to read at least 7 books.
3. **When does SRC end?** SRC ends Friday, August 31st.

Other Fun Stuff

1. **How did those kids get their photos up on the walls of the Library?** We have two "Photo Shoot" days in the Winter. Any child may register and come in to have their photo taken. If you'd like to be included in the decorations for Summer 2019, look for the dates in our 2018/2019 Winter Newsletter!
2. **What is the Emma Cup?** The Emma Cup is a friendly competition between the local elementary schools. The school that has the highest percentage of kids that sign up for and finish SRC will have their school and year inscribed on the trophy (yes, there is a real trophy!).