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2026 Summer Reading Challenge Frequently Asked Questions

Registration

- 1. When is Summer Reading Challenge (SRC) registration?** Online registration begins on Monday, June 1. No worries if you can't register immediately – it's ongoing throughout the Summer! But, if you register by June 30, you can enter our special early registration raffle!
- 2. Do I have to do it online? What if we prefer to write them down?** We'll once again be using our fun & very user-friendly online program, Beanstack. You can find it at kids.emmaclark.org or download the Beanstack app. If any parent would like a paper log for their child to fill out their book titles, please email kids@emmaclark.org, and we'll send you a PDF log that you can print out at home.
- 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. My child can't read. Can we still register for SRC?** Yes, babies through those entering 5th Grade can sign up for SRC. You're never too young to learn to love reading. For children who can't read on their own yet, books can be read to them by mom, dad, grandma, grandpa, a nanny, or anyone!
- 5. Do we have to come into the Library to do SRC?** No, it's entirely online. Feel free to come in as little or as much as you would like to pick up books.

Prizes

If it's all online, how will the prizes work? If you register by June 30, you can enter our special early registration raffle. Every child who completes SRC will get a prize bag at the end of the program. The prize bags will be given out starting Monday, August 3, as long as the child has read at least 7 books.

In addition, we'll have raffle prizes at the end of SRC! The children earn electronic raffle tickets each week, as long as they have read and logged their books. Winners will be announced after Sunday, August 16.

Completing Summer Reading Club

- 1. How many books do my kids have to read?** To receive a weekly electronic raffle ticket 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.
- 1. When does SRC end?** SRC ends on Sunday, August 16.

Other Fun Stuff

- 1. What is the Emma Cup?** The Emma Cup is a friendly competition between the local elementary 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!)
- 2. What else will you have?** We'll also have a Scavenger Hunt in the Library and many other fun things! Be sure to check our website and social media pages often for updates.

