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Library revamps early reading initiative for families

April 26, 2024 – FORT WORTH, TEXAS – The Fort Worth Public Library is offering families new ways to stay engaged and excited about building a lifelong love of reading with their child through its free, year-round [1000 Books Before Kindergarten program](#).

Starting in May, thanks to support from the Fort Worth Public Library Foundation, families who [sign up](#) for 1000 Books Before Kindergarten can visit their favorite library location to pick up a special tote bag and booklet to aid their reading journey—while supplies last.

“1000 Books Before Kindergarten is such a fun, free and easy way for families to play an important part in their child’s reading journey,” said Librarian Angela Barratt. “We hope the tote bags and booklets become helpful companions along their journey to 1,000 books.”

Each booklet offers families tips to add more reading into their routine and an interactive way to track each book along their journey to 1,000 books. Additionally, the booklet highlights key reading milestones and encourages families to celebrate each one by picking up a special prize at their library.

Families can also track their child’s reading by registering online using the [Beanstack app](#).

1000 Books Before Kindergarten is a nationwide initiative with the goal of providing families a simple, innovative yet fun approach to establishing strong early literacy skills.

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About the Fort Worth Public Library – The Fort Worth Public Library is committed to building a community of learners, dreamers and doers. The Library strives to provide spaces for learning, self-discovery, shared experiences and personal growth. The Library operates as a department of the City of Fort Worth serving residents and visitors at 18 different locations around Fort Worth, Texas and through numerous community partnerships.
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About the Fort Worth Public Library Foundation -- The mission of The Fort Worth Public Library Foundation is to inspire, secure, and grow philanthropic support and advocacy to benefit the Fort Worth Public Library and our diverse community. www.fwlibraryfoundation.org