

COLOR OUR WORLD

JUNE 1 - JULY 31

Youth and Teen Summer Library Program



Why the Big Change to Summer Programming?

Three Reasons:

- 1. Studies show that reading for prizes doesn't lead to a lifelong love of reading or literacy.**
In fact, sometimes it has the opposite effect. Even people who enjoy books can start reading less when they aren't receiving prizes. Literacy and a love of reading is our goal, and we want our young patrons to grow into people who see reading as its own reward. The resources* we found on this topic are listed below.
- 2. People are busy, families especially.**
Finding the time to read with younger children can be tough, and that is a barrier to participating in the summer library program. Older children often have multiple activities that place demands on their time as well. Our new system gives families multiple opportunities to participate that will hopefully fit into their schedules.
- 3. The Library is more than just books!**
We are a part of the Frankfort and Frankfort Square communities and want to connect our patrons with all the wonderful things available both in the Library and the communities around us. Every week offers opportunities to try something at the Library or join in a community event.

We hope you'll join us in this new approach, and please let us know what you think, either at the Library or via email: youthservices@frankfortlibrary.org

*Our resources:

<https://journals.ala.org/index.php/cal/article/view/6236/8124>
https://drive.google.com/file/d/1y3F1z-01NAo4oYHCSUncpry3_v9uVCFQ/view
<http://www.adventuresinstorytime.com/2024/03/the-inconvenient-truth-of-incentivized.html>
<http://tinytipsforlibraryfun.blogspot.com/2015/11/slp-you-say-you-want-revolution.html>