

Summer Reading Together

Frequently Asked Questions

For Educators



What is Learning Ally's Summer Reading Together program?

Learning Ally is a national nonprofit helping students with print disabilities learn and thrive. Students with learning and reading difficulties who read every day during the summer greatly improve their ability to maintain their progress gained during the school year. Summer Reading Together inspires a love of reading and motivates students to build daily reading habits over the summer to fight "summer slide."

How can my school get involved?

Educators at schools with Learning Ally memberships are encouraged to share the program with their students and parents by providing the student's login credentials to be used over the summer. Teachers can opt in students into Summer Reading Together or encourage students to log in to their student accounts at LearningAlly.org and sign up to participate. A downloadable flyer is available to help you provide student login credentials and share the program with students and parents. Non-member schools should visit LearningAlly.org to learn how to join.

How do students opt in?

Teachers can opt-in individual students through their Teacher Ally dashboard. Individual students and parents can also log in at LearningAlly.org and opt in or sign up through their personal dashboard within the student account.

How does Summer Reading Together motivate students to read every day?

After the student logs in at LearningAlly.org, the student's dashboard will show a daily view into if the student has read (through Learning Ally Link) with a checkmark for each day the student reads 20 minutes or more. Next to this daily view, the member will have the option to "sign up" to be included in the program. When Summer Reading Together begins, the student will have the chance to read for a "sunny summer reading outlook"! Summer reading booklists, an opportunity to be entered to win prizes, a certificate of participation and other resources will also encourage participation in Summer Reading Together.

How do my students win prizes?

Students can opt in or enroll in the program at any time before September 1, 2017. The educator who added them to the school account will be notified if their student wins a prize. The prize will be sent to the school, and the educator can give it to the student.

Are prizes based on reading progress?

Prizes will be given based on the number of pages read and the number of days the student spends 20 minutes reading. Two students with the most reading activity in each of those categories (most pages or most days spent reading 20 minutes) for the entire contest period (June 1, 2017 through August 31, 2017) will receive Beats headphones. Students with the most reading activity in each of the categories at the end of each month of the contest period will receive a prize pack. Other surprise awards and certificates may also be given.

How do students obtain their certificate of achievement?

Students will be able to download their certificate of achievement at the end of the program through their dashboard after they log in to their student account at LearningAlly.org.

How do I know if my students signed up for Summer Reading Together?

Teacher Ally (your online student management dashboard) will show which students are enrolled in Summer Reading Together. Your student's dashboard will show their enrollment in the program after they log in to their student account at LearningAlly.org.

What else can I do as an educator to be involved?

Read with us! Non-members are not eligible for prizes, but are encouraged to read with us using our printable calendar. Let your students know you will be participating and reading along with them this summer. View our booklists for ideas on which books to read and check out our Facebook page for Summer Reading Together online events, updates and tips.