



Tennessee First Lady's Statewide Summer Read Guidelines

Get kids excited about reading this summer with First Lady Crissy Haslam's *Read to be Ready* Summer Reading Competition, a challenge to read the most number of minutes over the summer break!

All Tennessee children, from rising Kindergarteners to rising 4th Grade students, are eligible to track their number of minutes read from June 1 – July 27 to compete for *Tennessee's Top 100 Summer Readers*. Students will qualify to win a Top 100 Reader spot based on a lottery system. Students must read a minimum of 2,000 minutes to be eligible for an entry into the lottery, and will gain one additional entry for each 1,000 extra minutes read past 2,000 minutes.

Upon the submission of each student's reading log packet to the Office of the First Lady by Friday, July 27, the top 100 readers will be selected by a lottery system. The top 100 readers of the Statewide Summer Read will be announced and notified by the Office of the First Lady via email on Tuesday, July 31. The students who qualify as *Tennessee's Top 100 Summer Readers* will be invited, along with one parent or guardian, to a celebratory Kids State Dinner with the Governor and First Lady at the Tennessee Residence in Nashville on Sunday, August 12, 2018.

SAVE THE DATES!

- June 1** The First Lady's Summer Reading Competition begins!
- July 27** Reading Log Packets must be submitted to [the Office of the First Lady via email, mail, or fax.](#)
- July 31** *Tennessee's Top 100 Summer Readers* are announced & notified
The Office of the First Lady will contact each winning student's parent or guardian via email
- August 12** Kids State Dinner celebrating *Tennessee's Top 100 Summer Readers* is hosted at the Tennessee Residence in Nashville, TN. Each child may bring one parent or guardian to the Kids State Dinner for an evening of celebratory festivities with Governor and First Lady Haslam to reward the readers' hard work!

About this Initiative:

The First Lady's Statewide Summer Reading Competition is a free summer-long literacy challenge designed to motivate children to read more books and visit their local library over the summer break. Students may read with a family member, friend, or on their own and reading books with a wide variety of subject matter and reading levels is encouraged. Minutes can be self-tracked and self-reported by Friday, July 27 by turning the Reading Log Packet into the Office of the First Lady via email, mail, or fax.

****Please contact the Office of the First Lady with any questions by emailing Crissy.Haslam@tn.gov or calling 615-741-7846****