

FEAST Guidelines for the Summer Reading Program and Young Adult Summer Reading Challenge

What is the FEAST Summer Reading Program and Young Adult Summer Reading Challenge?

Sponsored by the Family Educators Alliance of South Texas (FEAST), the Program and Challenge were designed to encourage children and young adults to read during the summer months, thus increasing their interest and enjoyment of reading as well as increasing their learning capacity.

There will be two programs running from June 11, 2019 through August 9, 2019. One is for children age 5-grade 8 (4 year olds are permitted to participate if able to read and write on their own) and the other is for young adults grades 9-12.

- **Children** age 5-grade 8 who read books from our Summer Reading Book List between June 11 and August 9 will receive 1 reward (maximum 20 rewards or while supply last) for each written book report submitted and discussed with a Summer Reading Team member (Team members will be available Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 10am--3pm).
- **Young Adults** grades 9-12 are challenged to serve others by logging the time that they spend reading to small children, the elderly or handicapped persons within their community; or volunteering on the FEAST Summer Reading Program Team between June 11 and August 9. Each hour logged will be awarded two tickets for the random drawings. In addition, they are challenged to read books from our FEAST Summer Reading Book List and submit comprehensive book reviews online to help parents choose quality books for their family.

What other rewards can students receive?

Children age 5-grade 8, who exceed the twenty-book limit before or on August 9, 2018, may be eligible to win the "Most Books Read" Award in their age group. The top three readers in each category (grades K-2, 3-5, and 6-8). There will also be random drawings for all participants to enter. Each time a child submits a book report, a FEAST Summer Reading team member will fill out a ticket for this drawing with the child's information.

Young Adults grades 9-12 will receive prizes for the "Most Volunteer Hours," and "Most Books Reviewed." There will also be random drawings for all participants to enter. Each time a student submits a book review or volunteers for one hour, a FEAST Summer Reading team member will fill out a ticket(s) with the Young Adult's information for the random drawings.

What books can the participants read?

The project sponsors intend to encourage children and young adults to read books that foster positive, wholesome attitudes and provide quality entertainment and knowledge; therefore, **rewards will not be given for books that contain any of the following: witchcraft, sorcery, gory violence, satanic theology, or romance.**

We expect children to read books that are at or above their recommended age reading level. If you are not sure of the reading level of a book, consult a librarian at a public library. Acceptance of book reports will be at the discretion of the program supervisor.

Where and when will it be held?

FEAST, 7735 Mockingbird Lane in San Antonio. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 10am-3pm.

Volunteers and Prize Donations

We appreciate any help we receive for the FEAST Summer Reading Program and Young Adult Summer Reading Challenge. If you would like to donate prizes, volunteer, or have any questions, contact us and we are happy to assist you.

Happy Reading,
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