

READING PALS PROGRAM English & French

Summer 2021 Information

The Reading Pals Program is offering its summer literacy program for elementary students entering Grade 2-5 in September 2021, in partnership with RDPL and Red Deer Firefighters Childrens' Charities.

The goal of this FREE program is to provide students and families with a chance to improve and maintain their reading, writing and comprehension skills over the summer.

ENGLISH

There are two program options being offered in English for summer 2021. Families can only register for ONE option at this time.

In Person

Your child will be paired with an adult tutor who will work with your child to provide literacy assistance where needed. The program will consist of reading, writing and fun games. This program will be run from the Downtown Branch (4818 49 Street) of the Red Deer Public Library. Students will attend either:

- 1-hour tutoring sessions on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays for two weeks (6 hours in total)
 OR
- 1-hour tutoring sessions on Saturdays for five weeks (5 hours in total)

Students will be scheduled in the same time slot for their registered session session. **Teacher referrals are required.**

Due to COVID-19, the In Person program will only have two staff tutors providing one-on-one tutoring with students. This minimized setup will allow for proper social distancing measures, disinfection of surfaces between sessions and less traffic within the library space.

The schedule of program sessions are as follows:

Weekday Sessions

Session 1: July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15 Session 2: July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29 Session 3: August 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12

Saturdays

Session 4: July 10, 17, 24, 31, Aug 7

At Home

The At Home program is a self-directed passive program that families can work through at their own pace. A dedicated program coordinator will be available throughout the 2 week session via email, and individual consultations via video call will be available upon request. **Teacher referrals are not required.**

Registrants will receive a folder with literacy information for parents, workbook(s), activity sheets and more. If the registrant has a library card, they may opt in to receive an individualized bundle of library materials to support them at home.

The schedule of program sessions are as follows:

Session 1: July 5 - 16 Session 2: July 19 - 30 Session 3: August 2 - 13

FRENCH

Your child will be paired with another student and an adult tutor, who will work with your child to provide literacy assistance where needed. Students must already be attending French Immersion to register. French Reading Pals will consist of reading, writing, conversation, and fun games. This program will be run from the Downtown Branch (4818 49 Street) of the Red Deer Public Library. Students will attend **three days per week for one hour and 15 minutes each day, for two weeks**. The program runs on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Students will be scheduled in the same time slot for the two week session. **Teacher referrals are required.**

Due to COVID-19, the In Person program will only have a single staff tutor providing two-to-one tutoring with students. This minimized setup will allow for proper social distancing measures, disinfection of surfaces between sessions and less traffic within the library space.

The schedule of program sessions are as follows:

Session 1: July 6, 7, 8, 13, 14, 15

Session 2: July 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29

Session 3: August 3, 4, 5, 10, 11, 12

REGISTRATION

To register, please visit the Reading Pals website or click the links below:

English Reading Pals

French Reading Pals

Teacher referral submissions can also be completed online here.

Acceptance is determined on a first-come, first-served basis, as well as need.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out.

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Sincerely,

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