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# New York State Assembly's 2023 Summer Reading Challenge

In cooperation with the Summer Reading  
at New York Libraries program

# All Together Now



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Dear Friend,

Reading can be fun! It's a chance to become immersed in a thrilling narrative, explore far-off worlds, discover new interests or learn new skills. And reading over the summer break can help fight the loss of learning known as the 'summer slide,' providing benefits to kids beyond the summer months.

With that in mind, this summer I'm sponsoring a reading challenge, in coordination with New York State Libraries Summer Reading Program, to inspire kids to read regularly throughout the summer break. This year's program theme is "All Together Now," celebrating kindness and friendship.

Here's how the Assembly Summer Reading Challenge works: mark the enclosed calendar for each day in July and August that your child reads with you, someone else or on their own. Once you have marked off 40 days or more, please return the completed form to my office, and I will award your child a New York State Assembly Excellence in Reading certificate.

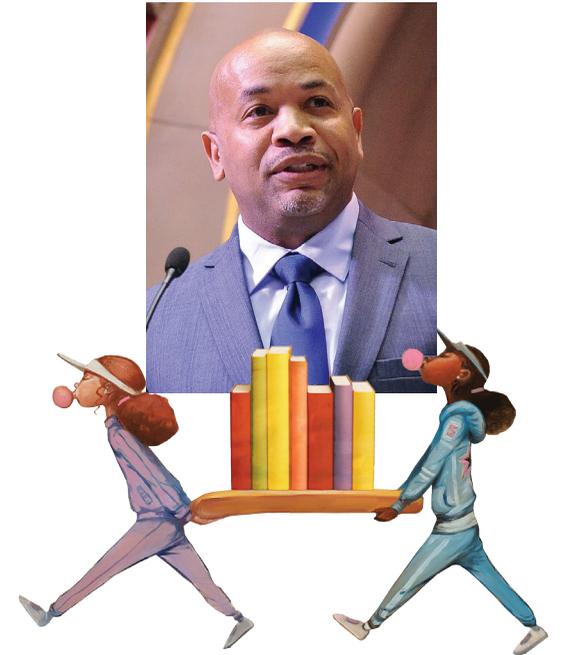
Find a library near you at the New York State Libraries website, [nysl.nysed.gov](http://nysl.nysed.gov).

Thank you, and happy reading!

Sincerely,

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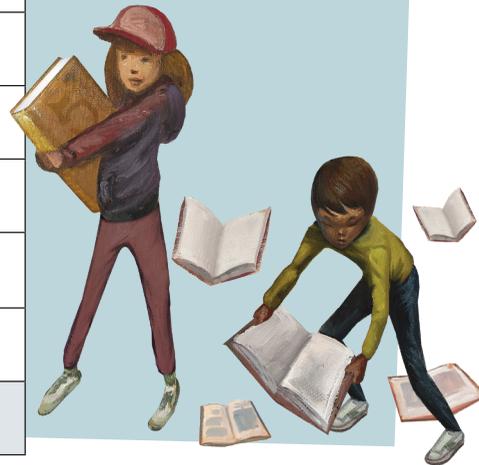
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"I pledge to read for at least 15 minutes each day for at least 40 days during the months of July and August. I will mark the calendar below with a check mark (✓) each day that I read by myself or with my reading buddy."



## July

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					



## August



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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When you have marked at least 40 days on the calendar, you will earn an **Excellence in Reading certificate**. Complete this form and send it to my office. Your certificate will arrive in the mail!

## I finished the Summer Reading Challenge!



I read for \_\_\_\_\_ days.

↑ Number of days completed

Must complete at least 40 days to earn your certificate.

↑ Child's name

↑ School

↑ Parent/Guardian name

↑ Address 1

↑ Address 2

↑ Phone

↑ Email

↑ Favorite book read this summer

**All Together Now**

