



The Library Foundation of Martin County, Inc. Wishlist – Children’s Books

The National Theme for the 2023 Summer Reading Program is ALL TOGETHER NOW – teamwork, civility, kindness, civic engagement, caring for others.

Over the past four years, the Martin County Summer Reading Program, funded by The Library Foundation, has grown in participation by 70% to almost 5,000 students. The amazing growth is in part, due to the Library System staff taking the program out into the community to include children that might not be able to visit library branches. Outreach includes summer school programs, Parks and Recreation activities, Boys and Girls Clubs, etc.

The Summer Reading Program not only helps prevent the “summer slide”, it also gives kids a chance to fall in love with leisure/recreational reading. As children hit various thresholds towards completing the program, they receive books as prizes, to build their at-home libraries. All book prizes are from the Sunshine State Book list of required reading for public schools.

The Library Foundation budget to purchase books as prizes for Summer 2023 is \$35,000.

Individual donations of \$100, \$500 or \$1,000 to The Library Foundation of Martin County, to purchase book prizes would be most appreciated.

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