



Summer Learning Program FAQs

How long is the Summer Learning Program?

- The MFL Summer Learning Program lasts six (6) weeks starting July 7 through August 17. The End of Program Party is on Thursday, August 15 at the Montour Falls Farmers Market in collaboration with the Dutton S. Peterson Memorial Library and the Watkins Glen Public Library. Students will continue to track reading progress until August 17, which is the last day to submit tracking sheets.

What is the age range of participants?

- Children ages 0 – 17 years are eligible to participate in Summer Learning.

How do I register for Summer Learning?

- Registration opens Monday, July 1 and closes Saturday, July 13. Reading logs are due back to the library by August 17. You can register by:
 - 1.) Calling the library at (607) 535-7489 during open hours
 - 2.) Emailing us at montourfalls@stls.org
 - 3.) Visiting us in person
 - 4.) Filling out the Microsoft Form available on our website
 - 5.) Pick up your SLP folder at the Montour Falls Library. Your folder has Activity and Special Event

dates & details, permission slips, and more!

Caregivers must complete **BOTH** the physical registration slip **AND** online registration. You will register for the activities online by selecting the dates you wish to attend. Please call the library if you need to cancel. Register multiple participants in separate forms.

Do I have to attend weekly in-person programs?

- You are not required to attend programs. The only requirement to participate is registering, tracking and submitting your time and titles trackers.

Do I need to register for weekly in-person programs?

- Yes. When registering to become a Summer Learning participant, you will have the option to select which program dates (or all) you wish to attend. Please call us if you can no longer attend the programs you have registered for. Weekly in-person programs are for registered SLP students only due to limited supplies.

Can I attend Summer Learning Special Events without being a registered participant?

- Yes. Special events are open to the public including Tanglewood Nature Center, Talewise Science Heroes, and Dan the Snakeman. You do not need to be registered with the Summer Learning Program to attend. Weekly in-person programs are for registered SLP students only due to limited supplies.

What counts towards my reading goal?

- Books, audiobooks, graphic novels; reading cereal boxes, newspapers, and magazines, and even listening to someone else read *to you* counts toward reading time. Students can set their personal goals on a sheet in their folder and when registering online.

What is the difference between an independent reader and a family reader?

- An independent reader is a student who is able to read on their own. A family reader is a student who is read to by a family member/guardian/helper.

How do I win prizes?

- Each line filled on your MFL-issued BINGO sheet (in folder) equals one entry into a drawing for prizes. Five (5) hours of reading time also equals one entry. The library will notify families regarding prizes by August 31.