

PRESCHOOL READING

What is the best way to prepare my young child for school? READ! READ! READ!

The PreK parents are encouraged to help their young child develop a love for reading good literature by reading to your child every day. One way to develop an enthusiasm for reading is to take your child to your local library to check out books each week throughout the summer. All public libraries have summer reading programs for children. Many libraries offer a story hour for children to come to the library to hear stories read by the librarian or library volunteers. These events often include special activities that celebrate books and outstanding children's book authors. The Nashville Main Public Library presents marionette shows each week based on children's literature. There is no cost to attend this production. If you live in Davidson County check out the website to the local public library system at <http://www.library.nashville.org/>. Students living in Williamson County can visit the website <http://lib.williamson-tn.org/> and students living in Brentwood can find online information at <http://www.brentwood-tn.org/Library/>

To access a list of books recommended by the Association for Library Service to Children as the "best of the best" visit the website:

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/alsc/awardsgrants/childrensnotable/notablechibooks/index.cfm>

For additional book lists of recommended reading for young children visit the Nashville Public Library Kid's website http://www.library.nashville.org/kids/kid_blists.asp