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**Explore Summer at the Johnson County Public Library**  
Library Offers Activities to Encourage Learning During the Summer

FRANKLIN, Ind. – Explore Summer is a fun way for the whole community to be engaged in learning with great prizes and exciting activities! Join us May 13-July 31, 2019.

**Register**

Sign up to Explore Summer at any JCPL Branch or online at [pageafterpage.org/ExploreSummer](http://pageafterpage.org/ExploreSummer) for an easy way to track progress. Register to Explore Summer by May 31 and be entered into a prize drawing for a four-pack of Kings Island tickets.

Participants will receive a sign-up prize and a purple yard sign to help the library spread the word about the program. Throughout the summer, we'll be sending our Prize Patrol out to surprise winners with prizes! If you have your purple sign from last year then you can reuse it this year.

**Read and Participate**

When you read 10 hours this summer, you'll receive a finisher prize and an entry into our grand prize drawing for a Weekend Destination Package - choose either French Lick or Great Wolf Lodge.

Take on the Weekly Learning Challenges to earn a coupon, a pompom to vote for the Library Prize and an entry into a weekly prize drawing. Prizes include a book lovers package, pool pass, bicycle shopping spree, \$50 Urban Air Trampoline Gift Card, Indiana Comic Con Tickets and a family museum or zoo pass.

**Enjoy**

Summertime is the best time to visit the library! JCPL has been working hard to put together an amazing summer for everyone and we can't wait to share it with you. Kick off summer with the Water Show, read for rewards, help us Craft for a Cause and meet a baby alligator.

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## **Achieve**

Help us reach our goal of 3 million community reading minutes and the library will add to the Library of Things collection! As you read, you'll earn chances to vote on the Library Prize - a prize that our library will offer for our community to enjoy.

Participants will be voting on adding either:

1. Musical Instruments Collection - keyboards and Hapi steel music drums
2. Stargazing Kits - star maps, telescopes, guides to stars
3. STEAM Kits - use everyday materials at home to make science experiments

## **School Competition**

We are hosting a friendly Explore Summer competition between Johnson County schools. Does your school have what it takes to be JCPL's Summer Learning School Champion? It's easy to participate! Please contact JCPL's Programming Manager, Sarah Taylor at 317-738-9835 or [staylor@jcpl.org](mailto:staylor@jcpl.org) for more information about the competition.

Johnson County Public Library would like to recognize HomeBank as our first ever title sponsor for our Explore Summer Program. We are grateful for HomeBank's generous donation of \$12,000 to expand our 2019 summer programming.

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Learn more at [pageafterpage.org/ExploreSummer](http://pageafterpage.org/ExploreSummer) or at any JCPL Branch! For more information, please contact Monica Harvey at 317-738-2957 or [mharvey@jcpl.org](mailto:mharvey@jcpl.org).

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