From Monday, June 1, through Friday, July 31, the Bartholomew County Public Library is teaming up with many community partners in order to offer the 2020 Community Summer Learning Challenge, with the theme “Imagine Your Story.” This program, for all ages, will entail reading, attending virtual or in-person programs, and completing activities in order to accrue points, win badges, level up, and win actual prizes. Prizes will include free books and coupons for free stuff from local businesses. We will have weekly drawings for $20 gift cards from local businesses and swag bags from local organizations for each 60 points earned, and a chance to win a $100 gift card for those who reach level 25 by July 31.

Registration:
To register, visit https://mybcpl.bookpoints.org, and click “Register” in the “Create an Account” box. You will be asked several simple questions to create your user account. You can register more than one reader per account, so that families can track all of their family members’ progress within that one account. For each reader, you will be asked to choose a specific Program for them to participate in-- either “Reading by the Book,” or “Reading by the Minute.” Each has a program description explaining which Program might be best for specific age groups and types of readers. After you select the Program type for each reader, you will be asked whether you want to register additional readers.

Logging Progress, Earning Points, Badges, and Prizes, and Leveling Up:
After you create your account, you will then be able to login to the system using the username and password you created during registration. Upon login, you will see the “Reader Dashboard,” where you can navigate between different Readers in your account using the “Current Reader” box on the left. To log a book or minutes, use the Log box in the middle of the Reader Dashboard. Use the third box on the Reader Dashboard to enter secret codes, event attendance points, and activity points. The fourth box on the Reader Dashboard is where you will find the link to all of the virtual programming and activities offered by both BCPL and our community partners.

In the Reading by Book Program, each book you read counts for 20 points. In the Reading by Minutes Program, every 20 minutes you read counts for 20 points. In both of these programs, doing a virtual program or activity is also worth 20 points. When you reach 60 points, you earn 1 entry into the weekly prize drawing and you level up.
For each 300 points earned in either program (equivalent to reading 15 books or 5 hours), you will receive your choice of a prize (book or coupon). There is a five prize limit per person, so at 1500 points, you will finish the prize portion of the Program. Additionally, 1500 points puts you at Level 25, where you will receive 5 weekly prize drawing tickets and an entry into our Grand Prize drawing for the $100 gift card. There are bonus levels after level 25, for which you cannot earn physical prizes, but you can earn badges and prize drawing entries.

Badges you can earn include:

But what if I don’t have internet access?

You can still participate, using our Bingo cards. Getting five activities done in a row is equivalent to earning the 300 points necessary to earn a prize. Just turn in your finished card at the library to claim your prize. Also, staff can enter you into our system for the weekly drawing when you turn in a completed card. If you complete five Bingo cards, you may also be entered into the Grand Prize drawing.

Questions? We are glad to help!

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Don’t forget to share your badges and images of your Summer Learning Challenge adventures on social media, like Facebook and Instagram, with the hashtag: #BCPLSummerLearning