Welcome to 1000 Books Before Kindergarten!

This free program is designed for infants, toddlers, and preschool-aged children. We are encouraging caregivers to read 1000 books with their little ones before they reach kindergarten. Participants will also collect special prizes along the way!

This program is simple yet beneficial to the growing minds of young children. One of the best ways to encourage learning is to read and share books every day. Reading together helps develop key pre-literacy skills which provide a strong reading foundation for young children.

How it works:

- Register or log on to Beanstack at <u>stanislauslibrary.beanstack.org</u>
- Read books together. It doesn't matter what books are read, just that they are shared together. Reading favorites over and over again is great as repetition is important for little ones.
- Track reading. Remember to enter each time a book was read if it was repeated. Books read at Story Time, by day care providers, grandparents, and siblings count too.
- Collect special prizes at the 500 books read milestone and 1000 books read milestone.
- At 1000 books read little ones will have a wonderful head start to success in school.

This program has no end date except when a child enters kindergarten. Remember to keep the reading fun and enjoyable. Reading 1000 books may seem daunting, but reading three books a day every day will equal 1000 books in one year. You can do it!

We look forward to watching your progress and assisting with your reading needs.

Sincerely,

Library Staff









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