

# 1,000 BOOKS Before Kindergarten

**1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN  
SETS CHILDREN ON THE PATH TO SUCCESS,  
ONE BOOK AT A TIME**

Families are invited to join the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program at the Austin Public Library. The 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program is a nationwide challenge that encourages parents and caregivers to regularly read aloud to their children. By reading just one book a night, families can reach the 1,000-book goal in three years and provide their children essential early literacy skills.

Research shows that the most reliable predictor of school success is being read to during early childhood. Reading to children from an early age can help close the vocabulary gap and prepare children to enter kindergarten with the skills they need to succeed. Most importantly, sharing books with children promotes a lifelong love of books and reading.

The 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program is available to all families with children between the ages of birth and five years. Stop in at the Austin Public Library to register. This program is FREE of charge.

**How to register:** Sign up at the Circulation Desk at the Austin Public Library. Each child that registers will receive a bag, a reading log, and a free book.

**WE HOPE YOU WILL PARTICIPATE**



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