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[Image of young patrons with new The Best Summer logo](#)

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THE BEST SUMMER STARTS AT THE LIBRARY!

SJCPLS Announces NEW Summer Reading Program for the Whole Family

ST. JOHNS COUNTY, FL — 5/22/19 — School is out and that means it's time to head to the library for summer reading fun! This year, the St. Johns County Public Library System is proud to announce a refreshed and fun take on library summer reading--**The Best Summer!** The Best Summer launches this year with a new logo, new reading logs, and new rewards for readers. There truly is something fun (and free) for the whole family! The Best Summer begins on June 3 for kids, teens, and adults.

Kids are encouraged to stop by the library for a free The Best Summer reading log. As kids read, they can track their progress and earn a new reward each week. Programs invite kids to visit with animals, learn more about local history, build with LEGO robotics, and more. Teens can connect with their peers in a welcoming space with programs just for them and earn prizes through fun library challenges.

As a community partner in education, SJCPLS encourages the whole family to read together during the summer break. The Best Summer invites adults to complete entries from a list of activities to earn local branch prizes. All entries will also be entered into a system-wide grand prize drawing for a \$140 VISA gift card at the end of the summer.

"Librarians understand that children who don't read and learn during the summer months fall behind. It's called the 'summer slide'. The Best Summer offers incentives to keep reading skills sharp ahead of the new school year," said Library System Director Debra Rhodes Gibson.

To register for the library's summer reading program, The Best Summer, visit your closest branch library or bookmobile. To learn more about all of the summer programs, activities and resources at your library, visit the library's website www.sjcpls.org.

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