

Welcome to the Karnes City ISD Library's 1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN – READING BADGERS PROGRAM!

Did you know that reading to your child is one of the most powerful ways to boost their brain power? The simple and enjoyable act of sharing books helps your child learn pre-reading skills such as understanding the sounds letters make, developing a bigger vocabulary, and building background knowledge—all important skills that help prepare your child for learning to read and entering kindergarten.

Karnes City ISD Library's 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten – Reading Badgers program is a fun, exciting, and free way to start your child on the path to success! Any child registered in Karnes City Pre-K can participate. Just follow these steps:

- Register: Sign up at Karnes City Primary Library or online at kcisd.net. Pick up program materials at the library or print them from our website.
- 2. **Track Your Reading**: Fill in a badger paw for each book read. Your child's teacher will inform you of books read at school through ParentSquare.
- 3. **Every Book Counts**: Even if your child wants to hear the same book again and again, you can count it each time. You can also count the books your child hears in storytime, in class, or with a friend or family member, as long as your child listens to the entire book.
- 100-Book Milestones: Each time you read 100 books, bring your reading record to the library to receive a special reward. Take home a new reading record for your next 100 books.
- 5. **1,000 Books**: You did it! Come celebrate at the library, see your child's name placed on the 1,000 Book Wall of Fame, and receive a free t-shirt.
- 6. **Keep on Reading**: Don't stop at 1,000! Keep on reading together; there's more learning ahead!

One thousand books may seem like a lot, but if you read just one book a night, you'll meet your goal in less than 3 years. If you read three books a night, you could reach your goal in just one year! Ask our friendly staff for suggestions—we're here to help you on your journey to 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten!

Happy Reading!

