

JOIN THE WINTER READING CHALLENGE



Classroom Winter Reading Challenge FAQ

This year's program is **online only** due to the COVID-19 coronavirus pandemic.

Deadline to join: Sunday, Dec. 20, 2020 or while supplies last

Dates: Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2020 – Saturday, Jan. 30, 2021

Participants: K-6 teachers sign up their classes

How can I join Classroom Winter Reading Challenge? Go to columbuslibrary.org/winterreading. Choose “register,” then “I’m a teacher registering my class.”

- Registration for Classroom Winter Challenge is available online only

Do I have to create separate registrations for each of my students? No, you’ll sign up your whole class under the teacher’s name.

Why am I being asked for my address? Please enter your school’s address so we can deliver your students’ completion prizes.

What prizes will my students earn by participating in Classroom Winter Reading Challenge? All participating students will earn a prize pack of a book, bookmark and mechanical pencil, which we’ll deliver to your school.

When will student prizes be delivered to my school? After the program ends on Jan. 30.

How does my class complete Winter Reading Challenge? Complete 6 reading activities of your choice and read for 6 hours.

How do I track my class’s progress? Go to columbuslibrary.org/winterreading. Choose “login” and complete the 6 activities of your choice.

My school hands out winter break work. Can Winter Reading Challenge help motivate my students to complete it? Yes, one of the activities your class can select is “Complete your winter break work.” Your students can complete their winter break work and check off a Winter Reading Challenge activity at the same time.

What if I miss the Dec. 20 Classroom Winter Reading Challenge registration deadline or the program reaches capacity before I register my class? Encourage your students to register themselves (with an adult at home, for younger students) at columbuslibrary.org/winterreading.

My class is not K-6. Can we still participate? Classroom Winter Reading Challenge is available for grades K-6 only. However, all K-12 teachers can encourage their students to register for Winter Reading Challenge as individual participants.

I need help finding good books to read.

- Winter Reading Challenge has a fantastic new feature this year – videos of CML staff members reading aloud the first chapter of favorite books for all ages, along with recommended read-alikes. You can find these on our [School Help](#) page.
- Reading lists are available through the Winter Reading Challenge portal when you log in. Learn about great books recommended by our staff.
- Place books on hold through columbuslibrary.org. Pick them up at your nearest library location using our Curbside Pickup or Walk-Up services.

