

Read Beyond the Beaten Path

Ames Free Library Youth Services Summer Reading Program 2022

219 children registered for Read & Bead

175 children logged minutes

*80% of registered children, up from 78% last year

151 children purchased beads with the minutes they logged

*86% of those who logged minutes, up from 75% last year



Over 70 children used accounts that were active last year.

That means that at least 1/3 of our participants participated last year (and used the same ReadSquared account).

10% PRE-K (0-4 years old) 22 children

38% Early Elementary (5-7 years old) 83 children

45% Upper Elementary (8-10 years old) 99 children

7% Middle School (11-12 years old) 15 children



*Higher
percentage of
upper elementary
and middle school
children than last
year.

153,856 minutes logged in total!

34 children met (or exceeded) the reading goal of 1500 minutes (25 hours)

19.5% of those who logged minutes completed the goal

15.5% of the total registered children

*0.7% more than last year





Not including our three weekly outdoor storytimes, we had 40 in-person programs and performances this summer, some of which required rescheduling due to weather and were held on irregular nights.

In total, 796 people attended those programs and performances.

Additionally, <u>172</u> people participated in our <u>5</u> passive programs: Nature Bingo, Guessing Jars, and Take & Makes.