



Powhatan County Public Library

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

June 12, 2020

Contact: Caroline Shoenthal, Librarian, Powhatan County Public Library

Email: cshoenthal@powhatanlibrary.net

Phone: 804.598.5670

Summer Learning Challenge kicks off June 15th

POWHATAN, VA – Powhatan County Public Library has partnered with Powhatan County Public Schools and Virginia Cooperative Extension/Powhatan 4-H to offer Imagine Your Story, a Summer Learning Challenge. The library and partners worked to transform this summer’s program into one that provides a variety of activities for readers of all ages while maintaining safety and social distancing. Participants may register by visiting www.powhatanlibrary.net and clicking the “Summer Learning Registration” button. Summer Learning runs through August 31st and participants can earn chances to win a summer prize raffle all summer long.

As part of the Summer Learning Challenge, adults and teens are also invited to provide feedback and reviews of library materials. Each submission will earn the participant an entry into a summer prize drawing. In addition, teens may pick up Summer Challenge Kits from the library beginning June 15. Each kit contains information about virtual teen programs like a short-film contest, which be posted on Discord , as well as materials for other summer activities, including journaling. Participants at teen events will receive additional entries for the summer prize drawing.

Monthly Summer Learning Challenge Kits for children ages 2-12 may be picked up from the library beginning June 15. Each kit contains a new book, materials and instructions for art and science projects, as well as additional enrichment activities. Summer Learning Challenge Kits help battle “summer slide” by encouraging children to find the joy of reading and provide opportunities for children to build their own library. Kits are made possible through the generosity of the Friends of the Powhatan Library, the Powhatan Extension Office and Powhatan County Public School elementary Parent Teacher Organizations. Future kits will be available July 13 and August 3. Kits will also be distributed from both Feeding Powhatan and Powhatan Food Bank each month.

Contactless pick up of Summer Learning Kits and Teen Summer Challenge Kits may be arranged by calling the library at 598-5670. All kits are available while supplies last.

In addition to Summer Learning Kits, the library will offer virtual versions of its Family Storytime and Music & Movement programs at 10:30 Tuesday and Wednesday mornings respectively. A “Masterpiece Monday” art program, including a story and ideas for a related art activity, will be available for all day viewing on Mondays June 22, June 29, and July 6. These virtual program offerings will be available at www.facebook.com/powhatanlibrary/

Visit www.powhatanlibrary.net for more details. Be sure to like us on Facebook for all the latest library information on all of our summer learning opportunities and digital resources. If you have questions or for assistance selecting summer reading materials, please contact the library at 804-598-5670.

###