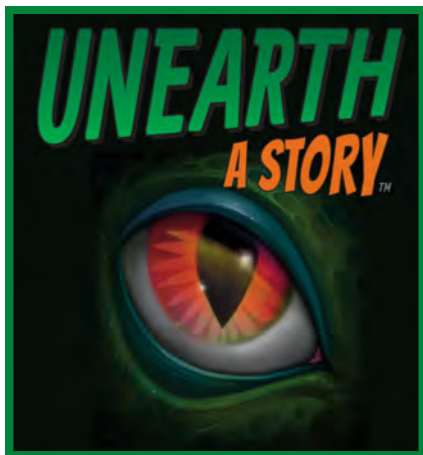


BASEHOR COMMUNITY LIBRARY 2026 SUMMER READING

BIRTH TO 6TH GRADE



May 25—July 31
Sign-up begins Monday, May 18
Start reading on May 25 and your first prize can be collected on June 1.

Summer reading is FUN and simple!

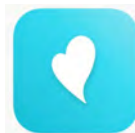
NO keeping track of books NO keeping track of minutes

The only requirement to earn a weekly prize is to read **everyday** & the best part...you can read anything you want! Our goal is to get kids into the habit of reading. Children ages Birth to 6th Grade are eligible.

So, how do you join? *(See back page for a QR Code to get the app)

We use Beanstack online software to keep track of reading. You can sign up for an account:

- On a mobile device using the Beanstack app found on your device's store.
- On a computer, go to our Beanstack Website: basehorlibrary.beanstack.com
- As an Individual or Family. Beanstack allows families to be linked together, so all family members can be accessed with one login. Fill in your info and click on the "Register for a Program Button" for each individual reading program.



If you made an account last year for summer reading then you can use that **same one**.

To track your reading and win prizes... **

- Mark the number (quantity) of days you read for the **previous week** and the dates, and you will receive a digital badge. Stop by the Children's desk & pick a prize. **NEW prizes added weekly!**
- **Play BLACKOUT Bingo** and earn a **free book!** Pick up a bingo card when you register.
- **ENTER IN OUR RAFFLE FOR EVEN MORE PRIZES.** Come by the library each week & enter your name in our special weekly drawings! There's another raffle for a chance to win "Nugget", the mascot!

**Limit 9 prizes and one free book per child.

SUMMER KICKOFF

Singing, Dancing and Yard Games!

May 29th—6:00 to 8:00 pm

Join us in our introduction to our summer reading programs with yard games, chalk for the sidewalks, singing and dancing with Mr. Stinky Feet and treats with Traci's Shaved Ice! Families of all ages can enjoy this time together as we enjoy the festivities together!



Complete a minimum of 7 of the 9 week Reading Challenge and be entered in for a chance to win one of these cool prizes!



Ages 1—3

Ages 4—Grade 3



Grades 4—6

See our calendar at: basehorlibrary.com/calendar



Wacky Wednesdays

Programs will be inside the library this year unless otherwise specified

Grades listed are for the upcoming 2026-2027 school year.

June 5—Stomp, Chomp, Roar!

Families of All Ages

11:00 am—12:00 pm

**Sign-up begins Tuesday, May 26th*

Space is Limited

Come join Miss Jen with our first of many programs this summer! Learn all about dinosaurs, fossils, Paleontology and more with Ranger Anthony and Phineas the Baby T-Rex!



July 8—KU Paleontologist Program

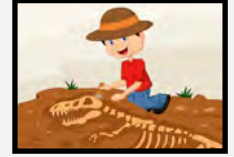
Families of All Ages

(2:00-3:00pm)

** Sign up begins Monday, June 29th*

Space is Limited

Did you know Kansas has a state dinosaur? Eleanor Gardner, from the KU Natural History Museum, will be joining us with some fossils, a story, and will teach us how to make our very own dinosaur!



June 10—Dinosaur Perler Beads

Kindergarten - 6th Grade

Register for one session

(1:00 pm OR 3:00 pm)

**Sign-up begins Monday, June 1st*

Space is Limited

Come join us while we take Perler Beads and create some adorable keepsake Dinosaurs! We have patterns you can use or you can create your own design.



July 15—KC Magic Man—Brad Lynn

Families of All Ages

(2:00—3:00 pm)

**Sign-up begins Monday, July 7*

Space is Limited

Brad Lynn, known as KC Magic Man, is back this summer to share some of his amazing magic tricks! You will be surprised by what he can do with fun items like cards, coins, balls and so much more.



June 17—We DIG Fossils!

Kindergarten - 6th Grade

Register for one session

(1:00 pm OR 3:00 pm)

**Sign-up begins Monday, June 8th*

Space is Limited

We have 2 fun programs planned for today! We will create a fun dish out of some of the oldest fossils around....seashells! Then we will practice how a Paleontologist digs for fossils by using REAL chocolate chip cookies!



July 22 - B-I-N-G-O

Families of All Ages

Register for one session

(1:00 pm OR 3:00 pm)

**Sign-up begins Monday, July 15*

Space is Limited

It's time for B-I-N-G-O with Miss Jen! Come have some fun with friends and family in our nice and cool community room to play some Bingo with us and win prizes.



June 24—America's 250th Lanterns

Kindergarten - 6th Grade

Register for one session

(1:00 pm OR 3:00 pm)

**Sign-up begins Monday, June 15th*

Space is Limited

Miss Jen has a great activity planned: creating lanterns! The BONUS gift that comes with these lanterns you make is a tiny LED candle. We hope that you and your family enjoy this special 250th Anniversary of America's Independence!



July 29—Animal Wonders KC

(Animal Program at BLMS

15900 Conley Rd. Basehor, KS 66007)

Families of All Ages

No Sign-up Required

(2:00-3:00 pm)

Dan Cowell and Animal Wonders KC will be joining us at the Middle School gym with some extraordinary animals to teach us about the value and beauty of different wildlife from all around the world.



June 29—July 5—Happy 250th Birthday,

America! Scavenger Hunt

All Ages

No Sign-up Required

Come and find all the Bald Eagles in the Basehor Community Library. Solve the riddle and receive a prize. (We will be closed for July 4th).



July 31—END OF SUMMER MOVIE PARTY

Basehor Community Library Front Lawn

Families of All Ages

8:30 pm—until movie ends

What a fun-filled summer of activities and reading we have had with you! Let's enjoy some popcorn and a movie together on the front lawn. We will announce the winners of our big summer reading prizes, including our traveling dinosaur mascot, "Nugget". We look forward to watching the movie and enjoying popcorn with you! Watch our social media page for any updates!



See our calendar at: basehorlibrary.com/calendar

We introduce to you our two newest members of the Basehor Community Library:

Toni Swenson

Toni is our new Children’s Services Librarian! She comes to us with several years of experience from the KC area with Mid-Continent Public Library and from Texas as a teacher. She will lead Storytime, visit schools, and manage the children’s department. We are excited to have her join our team!



Jessica Lawrenz

Jessica is joining us in a new position as Programming and Outreach Coordinator. She will help with regular programming as well as big events, while serving as a library liaison to the community. She has over 25 years of experience in educational programming and event planning. She is excited to join the BCL Team!



Saturday, August 1— 2:00—3:00 pm

“Read to a Dog”

Sign-up Begins July 20th

Get a slot reserved to read to a furry friend! Practice your reading as you get ready for your next school year.



Happy Birthday, America!
Celebrating 250 years

June 29—5:00 to 7:00pm

Bring the whole family for this event to help us celebrate our country’s 250th Birthday! The event will have multiple stations of crafts and activities, including cookie decorating. We will also have a special edition, outdoor scavenger hunt.

Raffle Prizes in Glass Case

(June & July)

Visit the library and enter each week for a chance at some really cool prizes.

Prizes Include:

Mystery Bags / Toys / Beanie Babies / Books

LEGO Club: K-6th Grade

June 24 / July 29 4:00 - 5:30pm

No Registration required

10,000+ LEGOS Available to build with!

Challenges Include: Making a Dinosaur & More!

Grades listed are for the upcoming 2026-27 school year.



***Meet “Nugget”, our Summer Mascot, and your chance to WIN!**

“Nugget” will be roving the local businesses, moving each week throughout Basehor. Every Monday, he will stay at a new business. Find him and then stop at the library, write down on a special raffle ticket where you saw him each week. You have 8 weeks and 8 chances to win! At the end of the summer, one lucky kid wins the mascot! Winner announced at the End of Summer Movie/Party on July 31.



3 years to Grade 3

2
Treasure
Chests

Weekly
Prizes



Grades 4-6



Summer Reading: Birth to 2 years

It is never too early to start reading to your child. Reading every day is a great way for you and your baby to bond!
Download this app to help!



How summer reading works:

- **Sign up** begins Monday, May 18 at the library, in the app, or on our website.
- **Read** to your child every day; keep track online beginning June 1.
- **When** you have read a total of 30 books to your child, they will receive a prize!
- **Once** you read a total of 60 books, they will receive a *free* board book.
- **Prizes** awarded, one in June and one in July.

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Storytimes with Ms. Toni

June 2 - August 6

Join us all summer as we explore Dinosaurs and other fun themes. There will be lots of new books, lessons, and good Storytime fun!

BIRTH - 2 STORYTIME

No Registration required

Tuesday @ 10:00 - 10:20 am

@ 10:30 - 10:50 am

FAMILY (3 - 5 year) STORYTIME

No Registration required

Wednesday @ 10:00 - 10:30 am

OUTDOOR FAMILY STORYTIME

(will be inside during inclement weather)

No Registration required

Thursday @ 10:00 - 10:30 am

*Storytime will be on break from
August 11—27*

Storytime resumes Tuesday, September 1

Wiggle Workshop

June 5 - August 7

No registration required

Friday @ 10:00 - 10:30 am

A 20-30 minute dance and movement time geared for littles and their parents or guardians. Please bring a workout mat or blanket to dance on and enjoy this fun and engaging wiggle time together. (Parents are encouraged to participate in activities with children)

NOTE : *This is a program geared to kids
1-5 years of age.*

*Wiggle Workshop will be on break from
August 14- August 28.*

Wiggle Workshop resumes Friday, September 4

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