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Florida Library Youth Program

FLYP Summer Reading Statistics Survey: OPEN

The FLYP Summer Reading Statistics survey is open!

The log-in information has been sent to every participating library. If you are the point of contact for your library and have not received your Counting Opinions log-in, please check your spam folder.

If you are still unable to locate the log-in email, please contact me.



Due to many schools pushing back their start dates, we have adjusted the survey due date.

Survey closes: August 24, 2020

If you need a statistics refresher:

[Statistics Cheat Sheet](#)

SRP Statistics: Questions from the Field

I have received some great, probing questions about SRP statistics from many of you, and I want to share the answers so everyone may benefit.

Q: What if my library wasn't able to provide any Summer Reading programming?

A: If you are interested in continuing to participate in Summer Reading, please submit a survey. Even if your program numbers are "0," there are still open-ended questions that you will be able to complete. By answering the survey questions, you are helping us evaluate the needs of the state, and letting us know that you want to be a part of next year's program.



Q: If we were unable to provide programming this year, or if our numbers are significantly lower, will this impact our allotment?

A: We know this year has been very challenging! We will be taking that into consideration when we calculate next summer's material allotments. The allotments won't be cut due to diminished or non-existent programming.

Q: Which number do we pull for Facebook video views that aren't live - 3 seconds, 10 seconds or 1 minute?

A: One minute. Three- and 10-second video views are similar to a patron walking past the programming room and peeking inside to see what's going on.

Q: My library has shared videos on social media that other people created. Can I count those as our Summer Reading programming?

A: You may only count the videos that your library staff create, or that your library is responsible for creating. For example, you can hire a presenter or have volunteers create your videos for you. You may not count sharing other libraries' videos that you found on social media as your own programming.

Preventing Burnout

Summer time is a busy, exhausting and wonderfully

exhilarating time for those who work in Youth Services. It's an opportunity for our programs to really come alive and reach a larger group of families than we typically experience during the school year.



Even in the most ideal circumstances, it's also a time when Youth Services library staff are more susceptible to burnout. This year, in particular, library staff have been under increased stress to re-plan entire programs while juggling additional duties and responsibilities. Staff should make the time to take care of themselves, even when things are busy and hectic.

If you're looking for tips and tricks to prevent burnout, see these resources:

- TedTalk: [*All it takes is 10 mindful minutes*](#)
- [*6 Causes of Burnout, and How to Avoid Them*](#)
- [*Library Burnout: Causes, Symptoms, Solutions*](#)
- [*5 Minute Librarian: What You Can Do to Combat Librarian Burnout*](#)

Internet Safety

While the knowledge that teens and tweens are active internet users is nothing new, with many students shifting to online education, now might be the perfect time to offer an internet safety refresher to families.



[NetSmartz](#) is the internet safety education program from the [National Center for Missing and Exploited Children](#). Free downloadable materials are available to help kids of all ages learn how to make smart online choices.

NetSmartz also has a website dedicated to [kids](#) and [teens](#), with games, videos and activities that are age-appropriate.



Early Literacy Tips

Are you always on the lookout for early literacy resources to share with your families? Florida's [Office of Early Learning](#) frequently shares digital resources with informative and helpful tips to encourage early literacy.

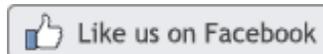
The OEL recently shared a graphic on [social media](#) illustrating activities families can do with their children at home. Many of their materials are available in both [English](#) and [Spanish](#).



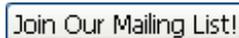
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