

ODL YOUTH SERVICES

8 THINGS TO KNOW: AUGUST



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"Children need you more than ever in this hyper-political, politicized, and angry world. They need the magic of your books, they need the spark of interest you give them when you see them and when you connect them with a book, a program, a new idea."

LIZ MCCHESENEY, LIBRARIAN
NATIONAL SUMMER LEARNING ASSOCIATION

SO THANK YOU!

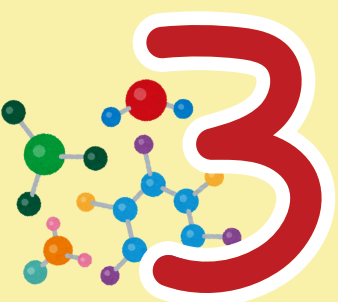
Thank you for the time, effort, planning, collaborating, building, curating, blood, sweat, and possibly tears that you put into your summer reading programs. You make a difference in lives every day! Thank you for caring for our Oklahoma kids and communities.

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SUMMER READING SURVEY

Summer Reading Survey is open! It is important that EVERY LIBRARY (or system) complete this survey! The data we receive from your feedback informs many of our decisions and plans here at ODL. Please let me know if you have any questions.



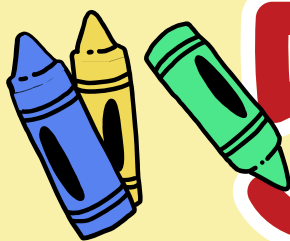
THANK YOU!

I have been able to visit and observe youth programs at many libraries this summer. This was an amazing opportunity for me! Thank you for welcoming me to observe, visit with your kids, take pictures, meet the staff, eat cheesecake, play with the cats and dogs, and see the learning and engagement!



2028 THEME

At the CSLP Annual Meeting later this month, we will be voting on the theme for 2028. I need your input so that I can represent all of us when placing my vote! Please visit this link to share your opinion. I'm interested to see what you think about the choices we have. [2028 Theme Survey](#)

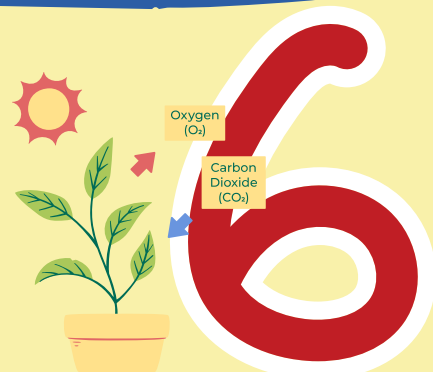


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NEW WEBSITE!

Check out [ODL's updated website!](#) It's easier to navigate and looks nice too. Take a look at the Youth Services page, and let me know if you think of other useful items to add.

<https://oklahoma.gov/libraries.html>



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FREE DRUG LEARNING DISPLAY

The DEA is offering a free learning display for public libraries. Click [here](#) to see if your library is interested. (I like the head-shaped infographic!)



TEEN INSPIRATION

Don't forget about [this spreadsheet](#) with lots of activity ideas for tweens and teens! Check it out, and please add your own if you have something great to share.



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