

DCPL's YSD - Reading with Ranger Registration/ Permission Slip

Davie County Public Library's Youth Services Department is excited to offer young people an opportunity to participate in a special reading program. This program uses a real dog to facilitate reading development as well as foster positive self esteem. Ranger is a "Tail Waggin' Tutor" with Therapy Dog International certification. He has extensive training in working with young children. Each session is about fifteen minutes in duration. An adult will supervise the experience.

If you are interested in having your child participate, please complete the permission slip, and schedule a session with Ranger. You may help your child prepare for a session or request a prep session with the Youth Services Staff during the week in advance of your appointment with Ranger. You are responsible for transportation to and from each session and the Library's Safe Child Policies are in effect. Also, please note if your child has any allergies and/or fears related to being around dogs.

You may call Julie Whittaker during the afternoon on Mon- Fri 336-753-6038 or email anytime if you have more questions.

Please return this form to the Youth Services Desk at DCPL, we will contact you to schedule sessions with Ranger.

M-F Julie Whittaker, DCPL's YSL

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My first appointment with Ranger is on _____ at _____

Registration/Permission Form

Youth's Name: _____

Youth's age: _____ School: _____ Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

Complete Address: _____

Phones: home _____ cell _____ work _____

Email: _____

____ Yes, I give my permission for _____
to participate in Reading with Ranger at DCPL.

Does your child have any allergies or fears related to dogs? _____

Please describe/advise: _____

I understand I must provide transportation to and from the program for my child.
And, that my child should be prepared for each session in advance.

Parent/Guardian signature _____

Date: _____

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Excerpted from our **SAFE PERSONS POLICY**

POLICY STATEMENT

The Davie County Public Library welcomes children of all ages to use its materials and services. The staff encourages children to develop a love of reading and learning, but is not responsible for their care and supervision. The library is a doorway through which life-long learning takes place. It is, however, a public building that anyone can enter and leave without being observed by library staff. A young child left alone in the library could possibly be persuaded to leave with a stranger. He or she could also become ill or disoriented while left unattended. Unlike public schools, the public library does not assume the role of surrogate parent to children. The library staff does not monitor the behavior, safety or whereabouts of people using the library.

RESPONSIBILITY

Parents or legal guardians are responsible for the care, safety and behavior of their children under the age of 18, both within the library building and on library grounds, regardless of whether or not they accompany their child(ren).

SUPERVISORY GUIDELINES FOR CHILD SAFETY

Children under the age of 12 should be accompanied by a responsible caregiver.

- For reasons of safety, children under the age of 7 should be under immediate supervision (parent, legal guardian or appointed caregiver age 16 or over) at all times while visiting the library.
- Children ages 7-11 need not be in the immediate presence of a caregiver but one should be somewhere in the building.
- During library sponsored programs the parent/caregiver must remain in the library building if given the option of leaving the programming area.

The library's **RULES GOVERNING THE USE OF THE LIBRARY** Policy applies to all patrons, regardless of age.