# WELCOME TO 1,000

# **BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN**

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is a national program designed to encourage reading together with your child. The more words and books a child experiences in their early years, the more likely they are to develop a love for reading and strong literacy skills!

#### How does it work?

### 1.Register

Registration for the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program is now available on Beanstack!

Sign up online through <u>Bitterroot Public Library's Beanstack page</u>. If your child already has a Beanstack account, sign in, look for the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten challenge and get started. If you need help registering, call us for assistance. Or, swing by the Library and pick up a 1,000 Books participation packet.

#### 2.Read & Track

Each time you read a book with your child, record it in your Beanstack account. Readers will earn badges as they work towards reading 1000 books. Alternatively, visit the Library to pick up a 1000 Books Before Kindergarten packet that includes a reading log.

Read books – even the same book many times – each day with your child and record your progress in your Beanstack account or on the family reading log.

#### 3. Earn Prizes at Milestones

After every 100 books, stop by the Library and pick up a prize!

After completing 1,000 books, your child will receive a custom tshirt and be featured in the newspaper, and get an awesome
jumpstart on success in school!

## You can do it!

1 book a day for 3 years = 1095 books 3 books a day for 1 year = 1095 books Look for Story Time programs at the Library. Books read at Story Time programs count toward your goal of reading 1000 books!

