



Welcome — TO — READ WITH MAYOR BROWN!



Dear Readers,

Welcome to the inaugural **READ With Mayor Brown** Summer Reading Challenge!

I am thrilled that you have chosen to join me on this exciting journey. As both an educator and your mayor, I believe that reading is one of the most powerful tools we can use to **learn, grow, dream, and succeed.**

Books have the ability to take us places we've never been, introduce us to people we've never met, and help us discover possibilities we may never have imagined. **Every page we read helps strengthen our minds, expand our knowledge, and prepare us for the future.**

This summer, I invite you to challenge yourself to read more, learn more, and explore new ideas. Whether you're reading your favorite storybook, a biography of someone you admire, a mystery novel, or a book about science, history, or art, **every minute spent reading is an investment in yourself.**

The **READ With Mayor Brown** Summer Reading Challenge is about more than books. It is about families reading together, friends encouraging one another, and our community coming together to celebrate literacy and lifelong learning.

From **June 15 through August 15, 2026**, I encourage you to set reading goals, track your progress, and most importantly, enjoy the adventure that reading provides. Remember, every page turned is a step toward greater knowledge, confidence, and opportunity.

Thank you for participating in this special initiative. I look forward to celebrating your accomplishments at the end of the summer and recognizing the incredible readers throughout our community.

Let's open books, build community, and make this our best reading summer yet!

Happy Reading!

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Mayor, City of Glenn Heights



TO OUR YOUNG READERS:

Dream big. Be curious. Ask questions. Read often. Your future is bright, and every book you read helps you shine even brighter!



TO FAMILIES:

Thank you for encouraging and supporting the readers in your life. Reading together creates memories that last a lifetime.



TO OUR COMMUNITY:

Thank you for believing in the power of literacy and investing in the future of our children. Together, we can build a stronger, smarter, and more thriving Glenn Heights.



CHALLENGE DATES:

JUNE 15 – AUGUST 15, 2026



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