

Storytime Guidelines Spring 2018

Welcome to storytime at the Rose Memorial Library! We want your experience here to be the best that it can be, so we ask that you please keep the following guidelines in mind:

1. **Registration:** Attendees must register ahead of time. Please **NO WALK-INS**. You may call on the day of the program to check on available space if you are not registered.
2. **Age Groups:** Children must be registered for the session that fits their age group. At the moment we have four different storytime age brackets:
 - a. Rhyme, Bounce, and Giggle-ages 3-18 months
 - b. Walk and Wiggle-ages 19-24 months
 - c. Toddler Storytime-ages 25-35 months
 - d. Preschool Storytime-ages 3 -5 years old
3. **Attendance:** When you register, keep in mind that you will be registering for the entire 6-9 week session. We often have waiting lists for our storytime programs, so please inform us if you will not be able to make it on a certain day. **If you miss two storytimes in a row without informing us, we will contact you. If we do not hear back from you, we will remove your name from the registration and add someone from the waiting list.**
4. **Timing:** We encourage you to arrive a few minutes before the start of our storytimes, but we understand that things happen and that arriving late is a possibility. **To avoid disruptions, if you are late, please feel free to quietly walk your child in to the storytime circle.**
5. **Siblings:** Siblings are welcome to join in storytime, **but please remember that the focus of the session will be on the child whose age fits that particular storytime. Priority will be given to that child when it comes to materials such as scarves, shakers, and felt board pieces.**
6. **Rough Day:** Everyone has a rough day now and then. If your child begins to get cranky or upset, please take them out of the room for however long they need and bring them back in when they are ready.
7. **Food:** **No food or drink during storytime.**
8. **Talking and Cell Phones:** Please be mindful that talking during storytime can be distracting to those around you. **Please reserve conversations for before and after the session.** Also, please turn your cell phones to silent or vibrate during storytime. **If you need to take a call, please do so outside the children's room.**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to the Youth Services Librarian, Veronica Coffey. Phone: 845-786-2100, ext. 12 Email: vcoffey@rcls.org

We thank you for coming to the Rose Memorial Library and participating in our storytime! Enjoy!