The Pauline Haass Public Library invites you to participate in a free program that encourages you to read 1000 books with your child before he or she starts kindergarten.

★ OVERVIEW

The concept is simple but the rewards are priceless. Read a book to your newborn, infant, or toddler. The goal is to have read 1000 books before your child starts kindergarten. If you read one book a night, you will have read 365 books in a year; if you read three books a night, that is 1,095 books! It is truly easy and very enjoyable, but most importantly, it provides your child with a precious head start on learning to read.

HOW TO JOIN

- <u>Register for a Beanstack account. Here's how:</u>

◊ Go to the library's webpage at phplonline.org/kids/events/

◊ Look for **1000 Books Before Kindergarten.**

◊ Click on the the blue, highlighted word Beanstack (link) to be taken to the online Beanstack page.

◊ To join, click on the **1000 Books Before Kindergarten Reading Challenge** image and follow directions.

OR

◊ Go to your app store or play store on your phone or tablet.

◊ Search for the **Beanstack** app and follow directions to join.

Both online computer and app versions of Beanstack can be used interchangeably!

★ HOW TO PARTICIPATE

- <u>Type or scan in titles of books that you read. Here's how:</u>

◊ (Computer) On your Beanstack page click on the image for the **1000 Books Before Kindergarten Reading Challenge**.

◊   Go to **Badges** in the menu bar.

◊   Click on your current goal badge.

◊   Click the **Log Next Book** button.

◊   Click the **Log Books** image:

◊   See a calendar and choose the date the books were read.

◊   Begin typing a book title. If it is a well-known book, its title and cover image will pop up for you to choose.

◊   Enter a number for **How many times was this book read?** Repeated readings of favorite books are encouraged and should be counted.

◊   Click the **Log** button.

OR

◊   (APP) Download the Beanstack Tracker app .

◊   After opening your Beanstack app look for the **Find a Site** search field and type in the name of our library: Pauline Haass Public Library (be careful spelling "Haass")

◊   Once you find our library's site, either sign in or sign up for a Beanstack account.

◊   Choose the **1000 Books Before Kindergarten Reading Challenge.**

◊   Continue until a **+** appears at the bottom of the screen. This is how you add books that you read.

●   There are many options for logging books either online or through the app. Feel free to call (262-246-5182) or visit our children's reference desk to ask for help from our children's services staff.

★ HOW TO CLAIM REWARDS

●   <u>Enjoy seeing your colorful badges unlock every time you reach a 50 or 100 milestone! Watch your email for a congratulatory message announcing a reward waiting for you at the library.</u>

◊   Visit the library and share with the librarian that you reached a milestone. The librarian will redeem your child's reward. The rewards may be as simple as stickers and coloring sheets or as special as tiny stuffed animals and books.

◊   When you visit the library to redeem a reward for a hundred milestone, your child will be given a star sticker to add to the **1000 Books Before Kindergarten** progress display in the library.

◊   When you reach 1000 books, you will receive a book to keep and a keepsake certificate of completion.

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS   262-246-5182   phyouth@phpl.lib.wi.us