

# SUMMER READING STATISTICS

SEPTEMBER 2023



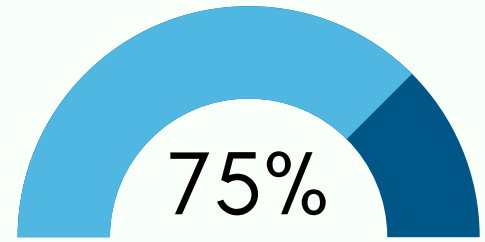
## ELANCO 2023 TOTALS

Registered for reading program: **1107**  
 Completed reading program: **830**  
 Participated in GO! Lancaster: **148**  
 Completed GO! Lancaster: **39**

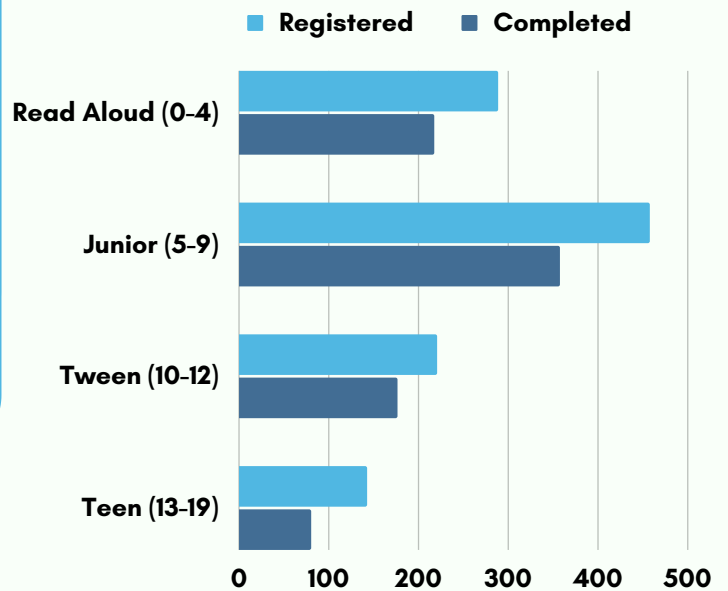
Extra "Readers Unite!" Challenge  
 Completions: **654**

Total Books Read (ages 0-4): **12,196**  
 Total Hours Read (ages 5-19): **13,576**

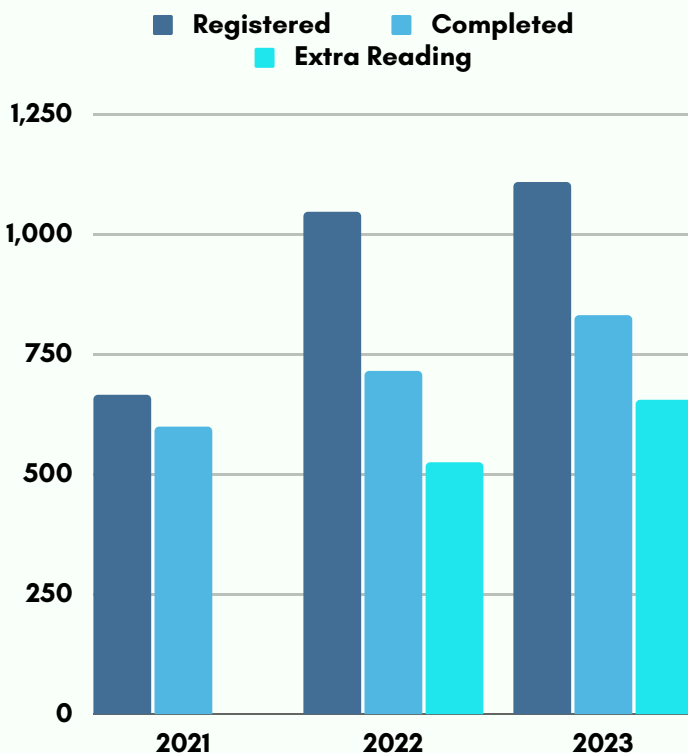
## READING LOG COMPLETION RATE



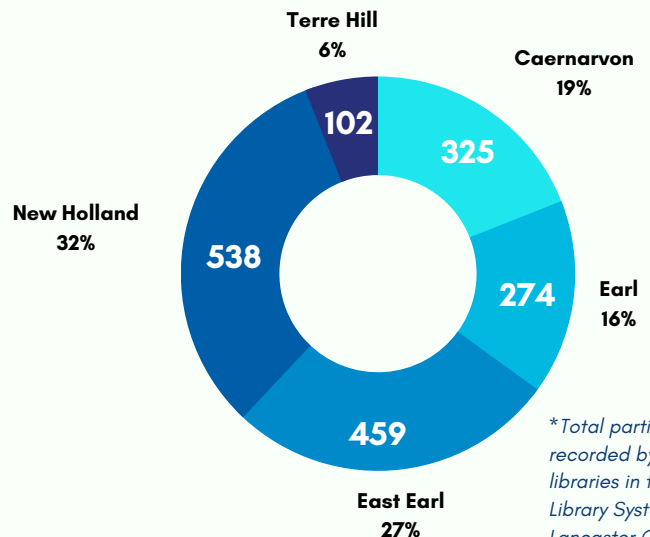
## AGE OF PARTICIPANTS



## ELANCO PARTICIPATION BY YEAR



## ELANCO SERVICE AREA DISTRIBUTION AND NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS



*\*Total participants recorded by all libraries in the Library System of Lancaster County.*



**ELANCO Library**



"You should NOT play with toy squirrels with cats." - Age 10  
 "That friendship is something you should believe in along with your family." - Age 11  
 "I learned how different writing styles can portray a story differently." - Age 11  
 "I learned how to follow recipes." - Age 11  
 "Chickens are the closest living relatives to the T. Rex." - Age 11  
 "Having a screen-free day is more work for my mom because all these kids are crazy without electronics. Seven kids – electronics = messy house." - Age 12  
 "You have to be kind to everyone, and that you have to follow your dreams wherever they may take you." - Age 12



### COLORING CONTEST



Artists (ages pre-K through adults) are invited to pick up coloring sheets for the **New Holland Fair's Coloring Contest** at ELANCO Library beginning on **September 5**. For more information, visit [www.newhollandfair.org/](http://www.newhollandfair.org/) or speak with a library staff member.

### SPECIAL EVENTS FOR KIDS

#### **LEGO Creation Club**

Thursday, September 14 at 6 p.m.

We'll build themed creations out of Lego® Bricks that will be displayed throughout the library.

### SPECIAL EVENTS FOR TEENS

#### **On the Same Page Book Club**

Tuesday, September 26 at 3 p.m.

Join us for a discussion of the graphic novel *Catherine's War* by Julia Billet. The event will take place in the Young Adult nook on the first floor of the library. Light snacks will be provided!

### EVERY WEEK

#### **Preschool Storytime: Dollars and Cents**

Every Tuesday in September at 10:30 a.m.

Preschoolers are invited to enjoy themed books, songs, rhymes, or movement activities while building language and literacy skills. This month, we'll focus on learning about how and why we use money, through fun stories and activities! For ages 3-6, siblings welcome!

#### **Toddler Thursdays: Count 'em Up!**

Every Thursday in September at 10:30 a.m.

Toddlers will dance, zoom, scoot, and hop between stories selected to promote language development. All adults are expected to participate and encourage the children to join in on the fun. This month, we will practice our counting skills through fun stories and activities. For ages birth to 3, siblings welcome!



...what they learned during Summer Reading 2023:

"How princesses in different cultures and time periods were similar." - Age 12  
 "I learned about sloths." - Age 12  
 "I read a bonsai tree book and learned how to care for bonsai plants." - Age 12  
 "I learned what the war might have been like and how hard it might have been for people." - Age 12  
 "I learned that reading is so much more enjoyable than using electronics!" - Age 15  
 "I learned about other people's perspectives when facing challenges." - Age 16  
 "The process of getting a prosthetic limb." - Age 16  
 "I learned about the history of America and how many people had to live through very hard times."  
 "Over the reading-packed week this year, I learned the most about rain forests and just how much the library has to offer."



### SPECIAL EVENTS FOR ADULTS

#### **Homeschool Curriculum & Book Swap**

Saturday, September 9 at 11 a.m.

Homeschooling families are invited to find good homes for books you've outgrown, collect new educational materials for free, and connect with other home educators. This will be a completely free exchange – materials are contributed without condition, and people take materials without charge or condition, on a first-come, first-served basis.

#### **Readers' Roundtable Book Discussion**

Monday, September 11 at 2 p.m.

All are invited to join the Readers' Roundtable for lively conversation about *The Book of Lost Friends: A Novel* by Lisa Wingate.

#### **Hooks and Needles: Yarn Craft Club**

Monday, September 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Are you crafty with a needle (or two)? Would you like a little company to talk shop with while you knit or crochet? Join us at the Library! Beginners welcome! We'll get you started on your first project.

#### **Free Speech and False Speech: Political Deception and Its Legal Limits**

Wednesday, September 13 at 7 p.m.

Join us for a fascinating discussion about free speech, political discourse, and communication law. Dr. Robert Spicer, Associate Professor of Communication and Journalism at Millersville University, will discuss his book *Free Speech and False Speech: Political Deception and Its Legal Limits (or Lack Thereof)*. There will be time for Q & A and conversation following Dr. Spicer's talk, and light refreshments will be served.