

Summer Reading and Summer Eating

- a great combination!



The New York State Library provides supportive materials and assistance to promote summer reading each year. Public libraries throughout the state use these materials to offer programs and activities to keep kids engaged and learning over the summer months. For 2022, the summer reading slogan is “Oceans of Possibilities.”

When school is out, access to healthy foods can be missing for many children. An increasing number of partners in New York State, including libraries, are working together to ensure kids have access to healthy food year-round.

The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) is a federally funded program that enables qualified organizations – including public libraries – to serve free meals to kids and teens in eligible areas (or all areas if Federal waivers are in place).

There are a variety of ways your library can be involved:

- Providing information about Summer Meal locations and benefits
- Offering space to your library’s sponsors
- Serving snacks or meals to enrich your own programming
- Providing library activities at Summer Meal distribution sites like schools

Additional Summer Food Service Program information is available at:

<http://www.summerreadingnys.org/hunger-solutions/>



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