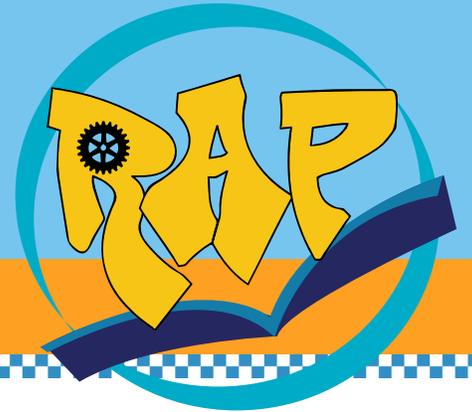


# RAP Sheet

## It's Right to Read; Your Right to Read!

- ❖ Ensure that all children are prepared for school.
- ❖ Encourage everyone to read.
- ❖ Champion the belief that literacy is an essential life skill.



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## RAPtivities

Summer 2017

**June 24, 2017**

Enjoy reading ***Rosie Revere, Engineer*** by Andrea Beaty as you walk from the Farmers' Market to Perry Public Library. The length of the walk is about 1/4 mile. At the end of the walk, children can take a STEM challenge, enjoy some refreshments, and register for the Summer Reading Program. You may walk anytime at your convenience between **9:00 am and 12:30**. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

**July 8, 2017**

Come read with us on Saturday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, at the Chalk Art Festival. Children are invited to read books from our wide selection at the RAP and PFLC tent starting at 9:00 AM. Readers will receive one ticket to enter the raffle for each step that they read throughout the day! Raffle prizes include new books, literacy games, and more! The grand prize (a tablet) will be drawn at 12:00 PM.

**August 19, 2017**

The theme of winning will continue with RAP at the Farmers' Market on August 19 for our final summer event, "Readers and Writers are Winners". Children who visit the RAP tent will have a chance to reflect upon their summer, while looking forward to the school year ahead. There will also be a "Wheel of Prizes", so don't miss this fun opportunity and chance to leave with some great items!

## Summer Slide

Watch out for the Summer Slide! No, it is not the latest new ride at an amusement park. Summer slide is what educators call the loss that children may experience over a summer without books. Research shows that students who participate in summer reading programs at public libraries returned to school ready to learn, with improved reading achievement and skills. Even if your children are avid readers, some parents indicate summer is the most difficult time to find productive things for kids to do.

Perry Public Library is here to help with free programs for children of all ages. Some of the highlights include a visit to the library of live animals from the Buffalo Zoo and representatives from the Buffalo Museum of Science will let us examine ancient fossils.

Preschool Story times are offered every week, along with afternoon movie matinees, and craft programs. Young adults are invited to an Escape Room challenge and creating art with Duct Tape. Thanks to a gift from the Tuesday Club of Perry, children will be able to experiment with STEAM materials such as Ozobots, Little Bits, Snap circuits, LEGO bricks, and other items. Also, this summer BOCES is providing lunch at the library which is free for any child from birth through age 18. The lunches will be held Monday- Thursday (July 10<sup>th</sup> – August 10<sup>th</sup>) at noon. Information about all of these programs will be sent home with students and available at Perry Public Library.