

'SIP.  
READ.  
WIN.

# Clinton vs. Clinton citywide reading challenge kicks off



The Clinton Courier

This summer, Clinton, Mississippi, has been invited to compete with six other cities named Clinton in the United States - a friendly competition to see which "Clinton" adults can read the most this summer. The contest, which runs from May 25 through August 31, invites readers ages 18 and up to join the effort to help put "the Sip" on top!

Participants read throughout the summer and log their reading in the online reading log system Beanstack. ALL reading counts, including print books, audiobooks, newspapers, magazines, e-books and graphic novels.

For this challenge, one page equals one minute, making it easy to log any format.

Quisenberry Library's Summer Reading Program runs through July 10, and adults may participate in both programs at the same time. Reading only needs to be entered once in Beanstack for it to count towards both Summer Reading and the Clinton Reading Challenge.

Every entry helps the library represent Clinton, Mississippi, against other Clinton libraries across the country.

Other Clintons that are participating include those in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Iowa and Indiana. Statistics will be

posted regularly, so each town can see how they are faring in relation to other Clinton readers across the country. The challenge is split into "rounds," and readers are encouraged to log reading hours each week; hours should not be held until the end to log in the system. All time for each round must be entered within the round period in order to count.

The library will submit totals after each round, and reading statistics will be posted after every round, so participants can follow Clinton's progress throughout the summer.

Quisenberry Library officials say that Clinton has truly stepped up for this challenge, with many local businesses donating gift cards and other items, which will be combined into one large grand prize awarded to the participant who reads the most during the challenge. Prizes will be highlighted on Quisenberry Library's Facebook and Instagram throughout the summer.

To join the challenge, visit [JHLibrary.BeanStack.com](http://JHLibrary.BeanStack.com), where readers can create an account or log in. Once logged in, the option to join the "Clinton Challenge - Mississippi" will be available. Once a user joins the challenge, the opportunity to log reading hours begins Monday, May 25.

For more information, stop by the Quisenberry Library at 605 East Northside Drive, or call 601-924-5684.



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LIBRARY SYSTEM

## Logging matters!

For Clintonians' reading to count:

- All reading must be logged in Beanstack. If it's not logged in Beanstack, it can't be counted.
- Logging must be completed by each round's deadline.
- Weekly logging is strongly encouraged.
- Best practice: log as you read, so totals are always current.

Read early, log often, and help Clinton, Mississippi, lead!

## To sign up for the Clinton Reading Challenge:

1. Visit [JHLibrary.BeanStack.com](http://JHLibrary.BeanStack.com),
2. Create a Beanstack account or log in.
3. Enroll in the challenge.

Quisenberry Library staff are available assist readers with sign up at any time.

ROUND	START	END/LOG ENTRY DEADLINE
1	MAY 25	JUNE 15
2	JUNE 16	JUNE 30
3	JULY 1	JULY 15
4	JULY 16	JULY 31
5	AUGUST 1	AUGUST 15
6	AUGUST 16	AUGUST 31

## RIVAL "CLINTONS"

Kirkland Town Library  
Clinton, New York  
Population - 1,800

North County Branch Library  
Clinton, New Jersey  
Population - 2,800

Clinton County Libraries  
Clinton County, Pennsylvania  
Population - 38,000

Clinton Public Library  
Clinton, Indiana  
Population - 4,800

Quisenberry Library  
Clinton, Mississippi  
Population - 26,000

Bigelow Free Library  
Clinton, Massachusetts  
Population - 7,000

Clinton Public Library  
Clinton, Iowa  
Population - 24,000

Join us and show the nation what Mississippi readers can do!

## Need Help or Have Questions?

For questions, book suggestions, help getting set up on Beanstack, or to get a library card, please stop by Quisenberry Library at 605 E. Northside Drive, Clinton, MS 39056, and let our staff help you get started.