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#BooksLikeUs Reading Challenge set for January

[DEFIANCE, OHIO] — Defiance Public Library System invites readers of all ages to participate in the 2021 annual Beanstack Winter Reading Challenge, taking place Jan. 1-31.

Simon & Schuster's Books Like Us program will sponsor the challenge, which supports public libraries and school systems throughout the United States. The publisher will award book collections and virtual author visits to the winning libraries and schools.

Community members are challenged to read at least four books during the month and log their reading at defiancelibrary.beanstack.org. There will be weekly prizes for children and adults. Beanstack also offers a free app, available in the App Store and Google Play, to make tracking on the go simple.

Participants may read and log any books they like, and will be provided with recommendations from Simon & Schuster's featured authors along the way.

The "Books Like Us" theme celebrates diversity, harnessing the transformative power of seeing oneself reflected in a book. This winter, participating communities are invited to explore books from bestselling and acclaimed authors such as Cozbi Cabrera, Sharon Draper, Stuart Gibbs, Stephen Graham Jones, Hena Khan, Debbie Ohi, Christina Hammonds Reed, and Rebecca Roanhorse. Each author will participate in a virtual event at a library or school that achieves the highest level of participation from their community.

Find out more at defiancelibrary.org, or register at defiancelibrary.beanstack.org.

