



defiance public library system
Defiance • Sherwood • Hicksville

Defiance Public Library
320 Fort St.
Defiance, OH 43512
ph. 419-782-1456
fax. 419-782-6235

Johnson Memorial Library
116 W High St.
Hicksville, OH 43526
ph. 419-542-6200
fax. 419-542-1015

Sherwood Branch Library
117 N Harrison
Sherwood, OH 43556
ph. 419-899-4343
fax. 419-899-3479

www.defiancelibrary.org

MEDIA RELEASE

For immediate release, Dec. 10, 2021

Contact: Taryn Lawson, communications coordinator

tmlawson@defiancelibrary.org

419-782-1456 ext. 1106

Defiance libraries to host Winter Reading Challenge

[DEFIANCE] – From Jan. 1-31, 2022, Defiance Public Library System will take part in Beanstack's Fifth Annual Winter Reading Challenge, sponsored by Lerner Publishing Group.

The theme is *Read for a Better World*, encouraging all readers to explore diversity, empathy, and action through literature.

Participants are challenged to log at least 120 minutes of reading during the month of January to be eligible to win a grand prize. There will be weekly prize drawings too for gift cards to local shops. All ages are welcome to participate, and any reading counts (no, it does not have to be a library book).

Register for the challenge and log your reading at defiancelibrary.beanstack.org, or using the handy Beanstack Tracker app, available in the Apple and Google Play stores.

Thousands of libraries and schools across the nation are encouraging their communities to reach their reading target. Top-performing libraries and schools will earn prizes from Lerner Publishing Group, including book collections, signed books, and virtual author visits.

For more information, visit your library or call 419-782-1456. Happy reading!