



2018–2019 FAQs

Read To Succeed Deadline

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When is the deadline for students' to turn in reading logs to the teacher?

The deadline for the students' to turn in reading logs to the teacher is up to the individual teacher. Teachers should choose a date in early February that leaves them enough time to enter their students' reading hours into their online account by **5pm Central Standard Time on March 1, 2019.** Teachers should fill in their early February deadline on their students' reading logs before they send the reading logs home. We recommend making the deadline for early February as many teachers are in the system during late February which can crash our system.

When is the deadline to submit student information?

The deadline to enter student information in your online account is **5pm Central Standard Time on March 1, 2019.**

Eligibility

Who is eligible to participate?

The Read to Succeed program is designed for traditional schools and homeschools with grades K through 6. **ONLY** students enrolled in grades K through 6 are eligible to take part in the program. All teachers and traditional school coordinators must register with the program to participate.

Can my pre-school students participate in Read to Succeed?

No, the program is only for students in grades K through 6. Students in other grades cannot participate.

Can students in grades 7 or higher participate in Read to Succeed?

No, the program is only for students in grades K through 6. Students in other grades cannot participate.

Can my special education students participate in Read to Succeed?

Yes, as long as the students are in grades K through 6, they can participate.

Can my Scout Troop participate in Read to Succeed?

No, the program is only open to schools.

Can After School or Day Care Facilities participate?

No, the program is only open to schools, not clubs or extended care organizations.

Can my soccer team participate in Read to Succeed?

No, sports clubs/teams are not eligible. The program is only open to schools.

I run a community learning center that focuses on reading, can we register for the program?

No. The schools that feed into your learning center need to register.

I am a teacher at a traditional school. My child attends another school that is not participating. Can I add my child under my teacher account?

No, your child's school will need to register for the program for your child to participate. You as a teacher, can only submit students that are enrolled at your school.

I am a teacher at a traditional school during the day. My child attends a different traditional school that is not participating. I homeschool my child in the evening. Can I register as a homeschool?

No, your child's traditional school will need to register for the program for your child to participate.

I am a teacher at a traditional school and one of my students has a sibling that attends another elementary school that is not participating, can I add the sibling to my account so they can both earn a ticket?

No, you can only submit students that are enrolled at your school.

I am a homeschool teacher for my child. I help other children in my neighborhood with lessons as well. Can I submit the other children?

No, you can only submit your children that live in your household that you homeschool.

How to Register for the 2018-2019 Program and Receive Updates

Who needs to register?

All teachers and traditional school coordinators that want to participate in the program and receive a free Six Flags ticket must register online. If you have an account from the 2017-2018 program, you will need to log in to your online account and verify your information is correct. Teachers and coordinators must register before they can log their students' reading hours into their online account.

Is there a deadline for registration?

The **deadline** for registration is **March 1, 2019 at 5pm Central Standard Time**. **Please note that this is the SAME deadline for entering students' names and reading log hours in your online account.** We recommend registering **BEFORE** winter break. You will need to register and establish your online account before you can enter the students' hours in your online account.

I participated last year, how do I sign up this year?

If you participated in the 2017-2018 Read to Succeed program, you need to log in to your online account with your email address and password from last year and verify that your information is correct. The student information from previous years will not appear in your account.

I did not participate last year, how can I sign up for the program?

Registration is easy! Visit sixflags.com/read. You can start by clicking on "Register" and follow the easy step by step process. During the registration process, you will be asked to select your school from a list. All schools will be verified to determine eligibility. If your school is not on the list, please be sure you have scrolled down through the entire school list. If you still do not see it, you can add it in. Please send us a message through the "Contact Us" link if you need assistance.

If I am a homeschool teacher, how do I register?

Both homeschools and traditional schools will register from the same registration site. Visit sixflags.com/read. You can start by clicking on "Register". When you are asked to choose whether you are a public/private school or homeschool, please click on the homeschool button.

Once my registration is complete, when will I need to use my email address and password?

You will need your email address and password to log in to your online account. Your online account is where you can find program materials and enter your students' information/reading hours and download the tickets. Your online account is an important way for Six Flags to communicate with you.

What is the difference between registering and entering student information?

Registration is only one part of the online portion of the program. After you register for an account, you will be able to access your online account. Once your students complete the required 6 hours of reading and turn in their Student Reading Log to you, you will need to enter the student information in your online account. Students will only earn a ticket if they are entered into a teacher or coordinator's online account. Teachers will only earn a ticket if they have at least 8 students that completed the 6 hour goal entered in their online account.

My school has participated in the past. Will we receive registration materials in the mail?

No, all program materials are available online. You will not receive a registration packet in the mail. Once your online account is set up, you will find the program materials in your online account in the Teacher Toolbox.

My school participated last year. Will I automatically be registered for the 2018-2019 school year?

No. Teachers and Coordinators who registered for the 2017-2018 program will need to log into their online account from last year and verify their information is correct before they can enter their student information. The student information from the 2017-2018 program will be removed.

I am a traditional school teacher. My school participated last year but I did not. Do I need to set up an account?

Yes. If you did not participate in the program last year, but your traditional school did, you will need to register for your own account.

I am a traditional school teacher. However, I co-teach my classroom with another teacher, can I register?

Yes. Both you and the other teacher can register, HOWEVER, you must not duplicate students. Students can only be listed ONCE under either one of your accounts. You and the co-teacher will need to split the classroom roster. For example, if your class has 30 students, then students 1-15 that read for 6 hours will be listed under your account. And students 16-30 that read for 6 hours will be listed under the other teacher's account.

How do I receive program updates?

Program updates will be emailed to the email address that you register with. Please include a secondary email address in case our emails are blocked by your school's firewall.

I have not received any emails from you – what do I do?

Please know that your school firewall can prevent our emails from coming through to you. Contact your school's IT department and ask them to "whitelist" readtosucceed@newsletter.sixflags.com and news@newsletter.sixflags.com. Doing this should help our emails to get through your firewall and into your inbox. In addition, check your secondary email address and spam for emails.

My Online Account System

When will the online account system open?

Your online account will be set up as soon as your registration is complete! All student information and reading hours must be submitted through your online account **by 5pm Central Standard Time on March 1, 2019.**

How do I log into my online account?

You can log into your online account by visiting the Read to Succeed page: sixflags.com/read and enter your email address that you registered with and password and click on "Login".

How can I edit my profile account information in my online account?

You can edit your profile information by logging into your account and simply updating your information. Once you make an update, click on the "SAVE PROFILE CHANGES" button that is at the bottom of the page and your update will be saved.

What should I do if I forgot my password?

Please click on "Contact us" and send us a note. We will help reset your password.

How do I change my password after I am logged in?

Log into your online account and in "Your Profile" there will be a "Change Password" button next to your email address. Follow the direction in the Change Password window and click on the "Change Password" button to confirm the change. You can also click on "Cancel" to cancel the change.

What should I do if my school address is incorrect?

Make sure you enter a VALID physical address that you can use for shipping purposes, in the event we should need to ship anything to you. DO NOT register with a PO Box.

What should I do if my park location is incorrect?

If you are a homeschool, you can edit the location prior to the deadline. If you are a traditional school, the coordinator can edit your school's selected park location in their online account. Each school can only select one park location.

Mailed Programs

In previous years, I received a program in the mail. Will I receive one this year?

Schools will not receive a mailed program this year. All resources are available in your online account, including a downloadable student reading log and parent letter.

Parent Materials

Where can I find the Student Reading Log and the parent letter?

To access the student reading log and the parent letter in English or Spanish, you will need to complete the registration and then log in to your online account. The Student Reading Log and Parent Letter will be available as downloadable pdf files in your online account in the "Teacher Toolbox" tab.

Parents are requesting more room on the Student Reading Log. Is there an additional page they can use?

Parents and students can use the back of the Student Reading Log or attach an additional sheet to log the student's minutes read.

Traditional School parents have program and ticket questions, can I have them contact Six Flags?

No. We are unable to view teacher accounts if a parent contacts us directly. If we cannot view the teacher account, we are unable to help the parent. Teachers or school coordinators will need to help the parents with their concerns. If you are unable to find the answer to their questions in the program materials, please click the "Contact Us" link and submit the parent concerns on their behalf.

Spanish Translations

Are there forms available in Spanish?

Spanish versions of the Student Reading Log and the Parent Letter are available in your online account in the "TEACHER TOOLBOX" tab.

What Reading Counts for the Read to Succeed Program?

What type of reading counts?

Recreational reading including newspapers, comic books, novels, eBooks and nonfiction will count. Students can read independently, or parents can read to younger students.

Does reading for a class assignment, schoolwork or homework count towards the six hour goal?

No, students must complete six hours of recreational reading. This means **NO** homework, class assignment or required reading from the teacher.

All my students read the same assigned books for my class. Can I have the students log this reading towards the six hour goal?

No, students need to read recreationally – this means **NO** assigned books from the teacher. If each student in a class or school read all the same books on the same days for the same amount of time, this can be seen as cheating and will be investigated.

The Traditional School Coordinator (this only applies to Traditional Schools)

What exactly is the coordinator's job?

The Traditional School Coordinator will encourage eligible teachers and students to participate in the program. The coordinator will have access to choose and edit the theme park choice (location) for the entire school. The coordinator will be the main point of contact with Six Flags. Each school's tickets will be emailed to the school coordinator and the teachers. Please **decide ahead of time** with all teachers participating at your school if the coordinator will be the only person designated at your school to print out the tickets to avoid duplicate prints. Every coordinator will receive one free admission ticket for organizing the program as long as they have at least 1 teacher with 8 students that completed the required reading OR has 8 students that completed the required reading listed in their account.

Can coordinators submit student reading hours online?

Coordinators must sign up and register for the program as their school's designated coordinator. While the coordinator will be able to submit students' reading hours online, it is not required. If the coordinator is a teacher whose students are participating in the program, they would be responsible for logging their own students' reading hours in their online account. They may also enter the reading hours of other teacher's

students, but they must access the other teacher accounts via their coordinator account and enter the students under the correct teacher.

Can I begin logging my students' reading hours if my school does not have a coordinator?

Yes, you can register as a teacher and set up your online account and enter your student names even if your school does not have a coordinator. However, by the end of the program all schools are required to have coordinator to facilitate the program.

Does the coordinator receive a ticket?

The coordinator will receive one free admission teacher ticket for organizing the program, as long as they have at least 1 teacher with 8 students that completed the required reading. The teacher must appear in the coordinator's "My Teacher" tab. If the coordinator is a teacher and is already receiving a ticket for submitting his/her 8 students' reading hours, only one ticket will be provided.

Can the coordinator view and oversee the reading hours entered by other teachers?

Yes, the coordinator can access the activity of the teachers by logging into their online account and clicking on the "Edit Teacher" Tab. The coordinator can also click on the "Edit" button next to each teacher's name to access the teacher's account.

Is it possible to change the school coordinator once one has been selected?

Yes, the current coordinator will be able to change their coordinator status to another teacher. Please note that the coordinator will only be able to switch their coordinator status if there is at least one other registered teacher at their school.

Can homeschools have a coordinator?

No, homeschools will not need to have a coordinator. Because every homeschool must sign up as an individual homeschool household and not as a group, there is no need for a homeschool coordinator.

Reading Logs

I found a copy of the reading log on another website, can I use it?

No. Only use the program materials from your Teacher Toolbox. Do not use any other materials found elsewhere as they can be old, unofficial versions with incorrect information.

Who is responsible for logging students' reading hours?

During the course of the program, students and parents are responsible for keeping track of the students' reading hours by writing on the Student Reading Log. Parents and guardians must verify the students' reading logs before they are submitted to the classroom teacher. After the students turn in their Student Reading Logs to their teacher, it is the teacher's responsibility to ensure their students' information and hours are entered in their online account. If you teach at a traditional school where a traditional school coordinator is submitting the hours for you, you need to log into your account to ensure it is done properly and by the deadline.

How do I submit my students' reading hours?

Your online account will be set up once your registration is complete. This is where teachers will enter their students' information including the reading hours. Teachers and traditional school coordinators can input their students' information and reading hours in their online account **until 5pm Central Standard Time on March 1, 2019.**

Do I have to mail in my students' reading logs?

No. Once you have entered your students' information and reading hours in your online account, you do not need to mail them. Please save the handwritten Student Reading Logs in a safe place for future reference. We may also conduct periodic reviews of Student Reading Logs, so please keep the Student Reading Logs in your files.

Can a coordinator submit student information and reading hours for all of the teachers in their school?

Yes, a coordinator can input all of the student reading hours for their school. However, if they do that, the coordinator will be the only person who will receive a free Six Flags ticket in addition to the tickets for the participating students. Teachers must register and submit at least 8 students reading hours in their online account in order to receive a free Six Flags ticket. The coordinator can access the teacher accounts and enter the students in the teacher's accounts, IF that is how they choose to run the program at their school.

Can a student have two reading logs submitted if their reading teacher and homeroom teacher are both participating?

No. A student can only have one reading log submitted by one participating teacher.

Saving Student Reading Hours

How do I save my students' reading hours in the online tracking system?

You first need to log in to your online account. Click on the "Your Students" Tab then enter the students first name, last name, grade level, total HOURS read (NOT minutes) and click the "ADD" button.

Do I need to enter my students' full first and last names?

Yes, please enter the student's full first and last name. The tickets will be personalized and will also include a personalized certificate of achievement. This information will not be shared.

What is the "Mark Complete" tab for?

Once you have finished entering all of your students and information, you can click on the "Mark Complete" button. Clicking on this button will indicate that you are ready for us to allocate your tickets. If you need to make changes you can unlock your submission by clicking on the button again as long as we haven't allocated your tickets yet (after we allocate your tickets your profile can't be unlocked).

I misspelled my student's name. The student was entered in the wrong grade level.

If a student's name is spelled incorrectly, or if the student was entered into the wrong grade level, you are able to edit the name and grade level. Click on the EDIT button next to that student's name to correct the name or grade level. This function will be disabled after the March 1st deadline.

Tickets

I entered all of my students' into my online account. When should I receive my tickets?

Tickets will deliver around early May. Tickets will be emailed to teachers and coordinators. **The tickets will also be available in your online accounts.**

I am a Traditional School teacher, do I need to print my own tickets or will by coordinator?

Please designate at your school who will be responsible to print the tickets out to avoid duplicate prints.

Are the tickets good all season?

No, the ticket is valid for admission on select dates only. The valid dates will be printed on the tickets. Valid dates cannot be changed or extended.

When will I find out what the valid dates are?

The valid dates will be listed on the tickets when the tickets are distributed in early May.

When can the tickets be used?

The ticket is valid for admission on **select dates** during the 2019 season only. Valid dates will be included on the tickets. **Valid dates will not be changed or extended.** Student tickets are valid for students in grades K - 6 only and are not valid for anyone over the age of 13, NO exceptions. Each ticket is valid for one free admission only. Tickets are not for resale and are nontransferable. The tickets cannot be replaced if lost, stolen or damaged. The Read to Succeed tickets are for individual use only and **are not valid for use by groups, outings, school trips or educational special events** such as Outdoor Classroom Days, Math & Science Days, Physics Days, etc.

Can the valid dates be extended?

No, the Six Flags Read to Succeed tickets are programmed with the valid dates that are on the ticket. They cannot be extended or revised.

Do teachers also receive a ticket?

Teachers will receive a ticket if they have registered and entered at least 8 students that have completed the required reading and submitted them in their online account by the deadline.

Some of my students received more than one ticket, can I give the students multiple tickets?

No, eligible students and teachers may receive **one** ticket. As a reminder, students can only be submitted once by one teacher.

Parks Where Tickets Can Be Used

Can we use the tickets at a Six Flags water park or different park other than what is on my ticket?

No, the free admission tickets are only valid at the participating Six Flags Theme Parks listed on the ticket.

Additional Help

I need more help – How do I reach Read to Succeed?

For help, send us an email by clicking on the “Contact Us” link on the Read to Succeed website.