



WOW!!! Our participation with the Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge is off to a great start. Students have been logging their reading minutes and the excitement is contagious. We are well on our way toward our goals of being the Maine school with the most minutes, and the first school in Maine to read over 1,000,000 minutes. Thank you for helping your children read and log minutes this summer. We encourage you to make good use of the public library, and wanted you to be aware of some great online resources if you have Internet availability.

We have posted a link to the Scholastic page on our library webpage.

<http://bcs.breweredu.org/brewer-community-school-library/>

If your child has forgotten or misplaced their login, please contact Scholastic at 1-800-SCHOLASTIC or summerchallengehelp@scholastic.com.

Also, if you want to take photos of your children reading this summer, and send an electronic copy to our librarian, we will post them on the school library Facebook page. Students will be identified with only first names. <https://www.facebook.com/bcslibrary/?ref=bookmarks>

Send photos to tholyoke@breweredu.org with the heading "Reading Photo"

Free or inexpensive sites for digital reading

<http://www.uniteforliteracy.com/> Early readers. Narration available.

<https://www.getepic.com/> Over 10,000 books for ages 12 and under. (\$4.99/ month includes up to four reader accounts. Right now, they are giving a free month!)

<http://download.maineinfonet.org/> Download books for your electronic reading devices. Includes a children's collection. (Requires active library card from participating library. Brewer and Bangor are participating libraries)

<http://www.rif.org/50ebooks/> All families across the nation can access 50 classic e-books absolutely free, without advertising or fees of any kind.

<http://libraries.maine.edu/mainedatabases/> For access to magazines, newspapers, and reference books.

<http://kids.nationalgeographic.com/> National Geographic articles, games, videos, and more.

<https://newsela.com/> News and current events at varying reading levels.

<http://wonderopolis.org/> Explore the "wonder of the day" at this amazing site.

<http://www.starfall.com/> Free and low cost phonics based reading instructional activities.