

# Connections

Keeping educators connected to the Hoover Public Library

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## Reader's Studio

This book club for grades 2-5 meets one Monday each month at 6:30 p.m. Club participants should bring their favorite book from that month's featured genre. Each meeting will begin with a book discussion and end with creating a book-inspired art masterpiece. This is a great program for both reluctant and enthusiastic readers. Have your students call 444-7833 to reserve their studio space today.

## Upcoming Masterpieces

Sep. 20 Around the World  
Oct. 18 Slightly Spooky  
Nov. 15 Historical Fiction  
Dec. 13 Humor  
Jan. 10 Award Winners  
Feb. 7 Famous People  
Mar. 21 Mystery  
Apr. 18 Poetry

## Art Gallery

Did you know that a Hoover City elementary school is featured in our children's art gallery each month? Stroll the starred hallway to see what your students created. Can't make it to the library? Browse the gallery online by logging on to [hooverlibrary.org](http://hooverlibrary.org) and click on **Kid Zone Art Gallery** on the righthand side of the page.

## Important Numbers

Children's Dept	444-7830
	444-7831
	444-7832
Reservations	444-7833
TeleTale	444-7838
Outreach/Tours	444-7839

[www.hooverlibrary.org](http://www.hooverlibrary.org)

## We Made a Splash This Summer!

Thanks for helping us make our wet-n-wild *Make a Splash!* summer reading program a success! We registered **4,606** children, a five percent increase from last summer. We also had **13,863** people attend 49 programs in just eight weeks. Even more impressive was the number of youth materials that checked out in the months of June and July — **159,473!**

Want further proof of your hard work promoting the summer reading program? Check out these stats:

Bluff Park = 263 out of 610 (43%)

Deer Valley = 362 out of 908 (40%)

Green Valley = 143 out of 481 (30%)

Greystone = 105 out of 614 (17%)

Gwin = 233 out of 593 (39%)

Riverchase = 232 out of 633 (37%)

Rocky Ridge = 101 out of 467 (22%)

Shades Mountain = 113 out of 324 (35%)

South Shades Crest = 207 out of 669 (31%)

Trace Crossings = 156 out of 610 (26%)

TOTAL = 1,923 out of 5,909 (33%)

Congratulations to **Bluff Park Elementary!** They had the highest percentage of student participation in the summer reading program. Their media center will receive a \$200 gift card to Barnes & Noble compliments of the Friends of the Hoover Library.



## Let's Get Together!

Looking for a special guest? A storyteller from the Hoover Public Library can make visits to your school each year to present stories, give book talks or provide training for students and teachers. Looking for a fun (and free) field trip? Book a tour of the Hoover Public Library. Tours can even include scavenger hunts and storytimes! Contact Katie Jane Morris (444-7839, [katiem@bham.lib.al.us](mailto:katiem@bham.lib.al.us)) to find out more.

*The Hoover Public Library will be closed on:*

**Sunday, September 5 & Monday, September 6 for Labor Day**

