

KY Saves 529 Summer Reading Campaign

KDLA, the Kentucky Higher Education Assistance Authority, and KY Saves 529 are pleased to announce that participation in this year's summer reading program will pay off for five Kentucky children. In the KY Saves 529 Summer Reading Campaign, one summer reading participant from each KDLA region will win \$529 for their college savings account. In addition, each winner's local public library will receive \$500 to support youth reading programs. The [Librarian's Guide](#) offers helpful tips for promoting this campaign to all your library's summer reading participants.

The sweepstakes runs May 10 – August 15, 2026, and is open to summer reading participants aged 18 or younger. Library users may visit kysaves.com/unearth after May 10 to see the official contest rules and learn more about how to help KY students be more financially prepared for tuition or other expenses related to college, trade or vocational school, or apprenticeship programs.

Kentucky Humanities Presents *Our American Story: Kentucky Voices*

Kentucky Humanities invites Kentucky's public libraries to apply to host the interactive program [Our American Story: Kentucky's Voices](#), a statewide series of community programs and discussions based on four themes—Remembering Together, Growing Together, Harmonizing Together, and Moving Together.

Accepted host sites will be announced on a rolling basis, and all programs must be completed by August 31, 2026. *Our American Story: Kentucky Voices* includes curated Kentucky Chautauqua® and Speakers Bureau presentations that will highlight Kentucky's unique role in American history and facilitate community conversations about who we are and where we're going. In addition to receiving one Kentucky Chautauqua®, one Speakers Bureau, and a thematic discussion guide, successful applicants will be tasked with collecting 3-5 interviews or audio/visual snippets from members of your community to tell their stories.

This program is part of the national initiative [By the People: Conversations Beyond 250](#). For detailed program guidelines, visit the [Kentucky Humanities website](#) or contact Derek Beaven at derek.beaven@uky.edu or (859) 257-5932.

KYVL Announces New LearningExpress Content

Kentucky Virtual Library recently revealed the addition of several new features to the LearningExpress platform. FinancialFit, AWS Training Center, PrepSTEP for High School, PrepSTEP for College, and LearningExpress Complete join the resources your patrons have come to rely upon for test preparation, workforce development, and learning new skills. Contact Enid Wohlstein at enid.wohlstein@ky.gov with questions or to learn about training opportunities for your staff.

Did You Know?

KDLA's Library Development Branch has its own [YouTube Channel](#) where you can find recorded webinars, CE shorts, and other helpful content.



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