



2019–2020 FAQs

What's New?

NEW FOR TRADITIONAL SCHOOLS THIS PROGRAM YEAR: eReading Logs! We have upgraded the program so parents can log their children's reading time into an online reading log directly into our website! Parents can log and track their child's progress during the program. Teachers/coordinators will be able to review and approve the eReading Logs submitted by the parents. With the new eReading Logs, the program will be more efficient than ever.

NEW FOR TRADITIONAL SCHOOLS AND HOMESCHOOLS: The program deadline had been extended to April 17th!

Read To Succeed Deadline

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When is the program deadline?

The deadline for BOTH registration AND student information review, approval and submission is **5pm Central Standard Time on April 17, 2020.**

When is the deadline to submit student information?

For Traditional Schools, parents can log their child's reading time in an online reading log, the eReading Log. This eReading Log will feed directly into the teacher's online account in the "Your Students" tab. Parents can begin logging their child's time as soon as you share the personalized Reading Log with them. Parents will need to complete the log by the deadline. Teachers will need to review and approve the student information that appears in the "Your Students" tab by **5pm Central Standard Time on April 17, 2020.**

For Homeschools, student name and TOTAL HOURS read will need to be entered into your online account in the "Your Students" tab by **5pm Central Standard Time on April 17, 2020.**

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 2019-2020 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 2018-2019 program, you will need to log in to your online account and verify your information is correct. All participating educators must register to access program materials.

Is there a deadline for registration?

The **deadline** for registration is **April 17, 2020 at 5pm Central Standard Time**. **Please note that this is the SAME deadline for student information review, approval and submission in your online account.** We recommend registering **BEFORE** winter break.

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

If you participated in the 2018-2019 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 download program materials, review, approve and submit student information, and also download the tickets. Your online account is an important way for Six Flags to communicate with you.

What is the difference between registering and submitting student information?

Registration is only one part of the program. After you register for the program, you will be able to access your online account. For Traditional Schools, the program materials will be in your online account in the "Teacher Toolbox" tab. A personalized Reading Log will be located in the "eReading Logs" tab in your account. This is the only sheet you will need to distribute to parents. The personalized Reading Log will include the instructions, a link to the parent portal and registration code for parents to be able to utilize the eReading Log. Each teacher will have their own link and registration code – PLEASE DO NOT SHARE this link/code with other teacher's students.

For Homeschools, once you are registered, you will have access to your online account. The program materials will be in your online account in the "Teacher Toolbox" including the Student Reading Logs. The Student Reading Logs will be handwritten by the students/parents as they track their reading progress. You will need to enter your students' names, and total hours read in your online account by the deadline. Handwritten Student Reading Logs do NOT need to be mailed to Six Flags.

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 2019-2020 school year?

No. Teachers and Coordinators who registered for the 2018-2019 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 2018-2019 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 can be listed under your account. And students 16-30 can be listed under the other teacher's account. The personalized Reading Logs are personalized for EACH TEACHER. It will include the instructions, a link to the parent portal and registration code for parents to be able to utilize the eReading Log for the teacher who's name appears on the log. Each teacher will have their own link and registration code – PLEASE DO NOT SHARE this link/code with other teacher's students.

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!

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 the "Lost Password" link in the Login page. You can also 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 park location is incorrect?

If you are a Homeschool, you can edit the location prior to the deadline.

If you are a Traditional School, it is critical that you select the correct park location when you register. In the event that the wrong park was selected, you will need to contact the Read to Succeed team quickly by clicking the "Contact Us" link.

Parent Materials

Where can I find the Student Reading Log?

To download the student reading log, you will need to complete the registration. For Traditional Schools, once you are registered, you will have access to your online account. The personalized Reading Log will be located in the “eReading Logs” tab. This is the only sheet you will need to distribute to parents. The personalized Reading Log will include the instructions, a link to the parent portal and registration code for parents to be able to utilize the eReading Log. Each teacher will have their own link and registration code – PLEASE DO NOT SHARE this link/code with other teacher’s students.

For Homeschools, once you are registered, you will have access to your online account. The program materials will be in your online account in the “Teacher Toolbox” including the Homeschool Student Reading Logs. The Homeschool Student Reading Logs will be handwritten by the students/parents as they track their reading progress.

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

Yes. Parents of Traditional School students can reach out to the Six Flags Read to Succeed program. The best way for parents to get help with the program is to click the “Contact Us” link and fill out the form that will connect them with the Read to Succeed team.

Spanish Translations

Are there forms available in Spanish?

Spanish versions of the personalized Reading Log (for Traditional Schools) and the Homeschool Reading Log 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 choose the theme park choice (location) for the entire school during the registration process. 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. Also, new this year, parents that utilize the eReading log will also have access to download their child's ticket. Please **decide ahead of time** with all teachers participating at your school who will be 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 if they have 8 students of their own that completed the required reading listed in their account under the "Your Students" tab.

Can coordinators submit student reading hours online?

New this year, parents will be able to log and track their child's reading time through an eReading Log. Coordinators and teachers are not required to enter students' information and reading hours, however the teacher or coordinator will need to verify and approve the student lists by the deadline. If a parent does not have access to a computer or smartphone, teachers or the coordinator can submit the student's information and reading hours in their online account, just let us know that you will need to access this feature by clicking on the "Contact Us" link and sending us a note.

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.

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 – Traditional Schools

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

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

Why did Six Flags implement eReading Logs for Traditional Schools?

eReading Logs have been a popularly requested feature for several years, and we thank you for your patience while we implemented it! We think this new iteration of the program will make Read to Succeed easier for you to implement while offering a number of ancillary benefits.

Should I use the school log or the teacher logs?

If you're a coordinator you can choose to either print unique logs for each teacher OR use one reading log for the whole school. If you use the teacher logs, the parent won't have to select their teacher; if you use the school reading log the parent will be asked to select which teacher's class their child is in. Either way will work just fine, but it is preferable to use the individual teacher logs because it eliminates the possibility that the parent will accidentally select the wrong teacher.

Can I just email my teacher code to the parents?

We recommend that you initially give you students printed reading logs and instruction sheets to your parents. However, there is no reason you can't email parents a copy of the reading log and/or send them the link and your code through an email.

Do parents need a computer to log their reading?

No. Hours can be logged using a computer OR smartphone.

What if a parent doesn't have computer or smartphone access?

We understand that some parents may not have easy access to the internet. You will still be able to log the hours for those students as you have in the past.

I have multiple classes. Do they all need separate codes?

No. All of your students can share the same code.

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Who is responsible for logging homeschool students' reading hours?

During the course of the program, students and parents (teachers) are responsible for keeping track of the students' reading hours by writing on the Homeschool Student Reading Log. Parents (teachers) must verify the students' reading logs are correct and then must enter the student information in their online account in the "Your Students" tab.

How do I submit my students' reading hours?

Your online account will be set up once your registration is complete. The "Your Students" tab is where you will enter your students' information including the TOTAL reading hours.

Saving Student Reading Hours

How do I save my students' reading hours in my online account?

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Homeschool teachers can save their students' reading hours. You first need to log in to your online account. Click on the "Your Students" Tab then enter the student's first name, last name, grade level, total HOURS read (NOT minutes) and click the "ADD" button.

What is the "Mark Complete" tab for in a Homeschool Teacher's Account?

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. This function will be disabled after the deadline.

I found an error in the student's name/grade level, can I edit it?

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 deadline.

Tickets

All of my students' information has been submitted by the deadline. 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.** Traditional School parents that utilized the eReading Log will also be able to access their child's ticket via the same portal they logged the reading time in.

I am a Traditional School teacher, who will print the tickets for my students?

Please designate at your school who will be responsible to print the tickets out to avoid duplicate prints. Also keep in mind that new this year, parents that utilize the eReading log will also have access to download their child's ticket. Please decide ahead of time with the coordinator and all teachers participating at your school who will be designated to print out the tickets 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 2020 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 different park other than what is on my ticket?

No, the free admission tickets are only valid at the participating Six Flags 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.