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“Read Your Fines Away” is an ongoing program that allows fines on children’s library cards to be reduced by \$0.50 for every 30 minutes of time spent reading. This program is not for fines on adult cards.

What do I need to do to get started?

A children’s library card (ages 18 and under) and an overdue fine or fines of at least \$0.50 on the account.

Use the reverse side of this bookmark to track your time and record it as you read.

How much can I earn towards paying down my fines?

For every 30 minutes you read, your overdue fines will be reduced by \$0.50.

Is there a minimum amount that can be excused?

The minimum amount to be waived on a visit to the library is \$0.50. A half-hour is the smallest amount of time you can turn in. If you have total fines less than \$0.50, they can carry to your next visit.

No credit balances will be issued. If you owe \$0.35 and earn \$0.50 worth of fine removal, we will waive the fines you have but there will be no credit for the remaining \$0.15.

Is there a maximum amount that can be excused?

No, but remember this only covers OVERDUE fines, NOT any fees related to lost/unreturned/damaged items.

How can I check out books to read if my fine is over \$2.00?

You won’t be able to check any out but you can read in the library or read books/magazines you have at home until your fine is under \$2.00

Can I read down fines for a friend?

No. “Read Away Your Fines” is valid only for the card holder. Tell your friend they should read more – they might enjoy it.



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TIME READ

TIME END

TIME START

DATE

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