



READ TO A  
THERAPY DOG  
AT  
**DOGGONE  
GOOD  
READERS**

**Saturdays**  
**July 13 and August 3, 2024**  
**10:00-10:30 a.m. OR**  
**10:45-11:15 a.m.**  
(Register for one session per date)

**COMPLETED GRADES 1-5**

During these relaxed sessions, children will practice reading aloud to registered therapy dogs who serve as gentle listeners. These programs will be held in person in the library's Community Room.

**Register online at [abingtonfreelibrary.org](http://abingtonfreelibrary.org).**  
Registration opens three Mondays before each program date.

Questions? Please see Q&A on the back of this sheet or call 215-885-5180, ext. 128.

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# Doggone Good Readers Q&A

## Who would benefit from a therapy dog reading session?

Children who feel uncomfortable reading aloud or need more time to practice their reading skills would be a good fit for these sessions. Studies show that children who practice reading aloud to nonjudgmental listeners, such as dogs, become more confident in their reading skills.

## May parents sit in on the sessions?

While family members may greet the dogs after each reading session ends, registered children will attend each program on their own. Exceptions may be made with permission from library staff. Parents are asked to wait in the library and pick up their children at the meeting room door at the end of the program.

## Should children bring their own books?

They can, if they like. We will also have a selection of library books to choose from.

## Where do the dogs come from?

Our specially trained dogs are registered with Alliance of Therapy Dogs, Therapy Dogs International, and other organizations. They are called "therapy dogs" because they are used to bring joy to people in nursing homes, schools, and other settings. Therapy dogs are patient, gentle, and people-loving.



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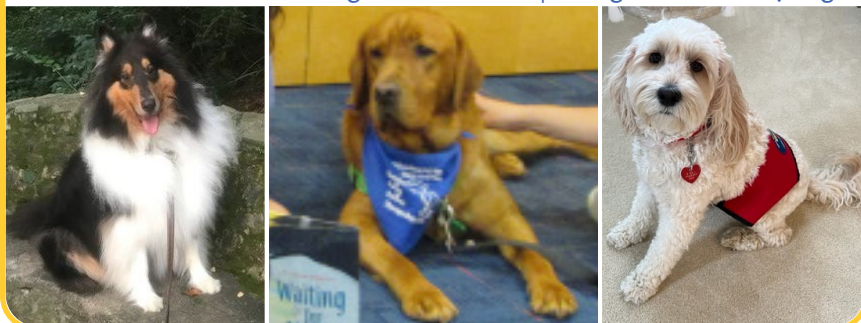
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