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Jackson-George Regional Library System Kicks Off 2025 Summer Library Program with Concert & Food Truck Event

OCEAN SPRINGS, MS — The Jackson-George Regional Library System invites families and community members to kick off the 2025 Summer Library Program in style with a Concert & Food Truck Event on Saturday, May 31st, from 10 AM to 2 PM at the Ocean Springs Civic Center (3730 Bienville Blvd., Ocean Springs, MS).

This free, family-friendly event will feature live music from a variety of artists, an exciting kids' foam party (don't forget to bring a towel or change of clothes!), delicious food trucks, and a variety of games and prizes from community partners and vendors. The Summer Library Program is designed to encourage reading and educational engagement throughout the summer, ensuring children have access to fun and enriching activities.

"We are thrilled to bring the community together to celebrate the start of our Summer Library Program," said Jim Thompson, Ocean Springs Municipal Library Manager. "This event not only promotes literacy but also provides an opportunity for families to connect, enjoy great entertainment, and learn about all the exciting programs the library has to offer this summer."

Vendor Opportunities Available

The Jackson-George Regional Library System welcomes local businesses and organizations to participate as vendors. There is no cost to register, and both profit and

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non-profit organizations are encouraged to apply. Vendors are responsible for bringing their own tables, chairs, and tents, as electrical access will not be provided.

Non-profit vendors are encouraged to bring a giveaway, prize, or game for families to enjoy. Vendor setup will take place between 7:30 AM and 9:30 AM on the day of the event. To apply, scan the QR code on the event flyer or contact Jim Thompson at osmgr@jgrls.org or 228-875-1193.

Sponsors & Community Support

This event is proudly sponsored by Chevron, Gulf Coast Foam Party, Coca-Cola, and Friends of the Ocean Springs Municipal Library. Their generous support helps make this community celebration possible.

Don't miss this exciting event filled with music, food, and summer fun! For more information about the Summer Library Program 2025, visit www.jgrls.org or follow the Jackson-George Regional Library System on social media.

About the Jackson-George Regional Library System

The Jackson-George Regional Library System serves the communities of Jackson and George counties, providing resources, programs, and services to promote literacy, education, and lifelong learning.

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Event is a **Jackson-George Regional Library System Kick-off for the Summer Reading Program**. This literacy initiative is founded to provide a reading bridge for children during the summer and provide educational and fun activities for families during the month of June.

The event will be held at the **Ocean Springs Civic Center (3730 Bienville Blvd.) on Saturday, May 31st (10am-2pm)**, within a busy and visible area of Ocean Springs. **Setup** is between **7:30am-9:30am** and all registered vendors must stop by the intake tent to receive their vendor map, placement, and tax forms prior to setup)

Please note, electrical access will <u>not</u> be provided to outside vendors at this event. Inside vendor space is limited. All tables, chairs, and tents must be provided by vendors.

All non-profit vendors are asked to bring a giveaway, prize, or game for families to participate in. Primary contact for event is Jim Thompson (Ocean Springs Municipal Library Manager – osmgr@jgrls.org– 228-875-1193).