A Family Engagement Newsletter

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YOU'RE INVITED!
Meet Gregg Behr, author of *When You Wonder, You're Learning: Mister Rogers' Enduring Lessons for Raising Creative, Curious, Caring Kids*

Did you enjoy Suncoast Remake Learning Days? We did too. So much, that SCGLR has invited Gregg Behr to visit and meet our community...that's YOU!

Playful and practical, *When You Wonder, You're Learning* introduces a new generation of families to the lessons of Mister Rogers' Neighborhood. By exploring the science behind the iconic television program, the book reveals what Fred Rogers called the "tools for learning" skills and mindsets that scientists now consider essential. These tools--curiosity, creativity, collaboration, and more--have been shown to boost everything from
academic learning to children's well-being, and they benefit kids of every background and age. They cost next to nothing to develop, and they hinge on the very things that make life worthwhile: self-acceptance; close, loving relationships; and a deep regard for one's neighbor.

You are invited to join SCGLR this Thursday, June 9, from 4–5:30p for a book signing and author talk. While this in-person event is free, registration is required to attend.

REGISTER HERE

Suncoast Summer Reading Challenge and THIS BOOK IS COOL!

By now, you've registered for THIS BOOK IS COOL! Most likely, you joined SCGLR for last week's Blast-Off event, have received your books, and are on your way! While on this summer-learning journey, Shalia Moore-Hayes is
crafting weekly newsletters in English and Spanish, with help from Connie Cuadrado, to help you make the most of this experience.

Kudos to Ben Tollefson, Eli Verzini, and Laurie Miller for crafting these super fun and engaging videos [total time: 1 minute 42 seconds]. Note: the first video is for families in Sarasota + Manatee. The second is for families in Charlotte + DeSoto counties.

Also included are registration links to SCGLR's Family Engagement Nights. Join THIS BOOK IS COOL! host Beth Duda and various artists for interactive family activities, sponsored by the Suncoast Campaign for Grade-Level Reading and The Patterson Foundation. Families will have fun and explore thoughts and feelings, share ideas, and create your own works of art.
"Why should we keep reading aloud to kids even when they can already read on their own? This talk demonstrates the magic of read aloud and reminds us all why reading aloud is so essential – at school and at home. This talk is for parents and teachers who want to teach comprehension and connect with kids in powerful ways." – TEDx Talks
Research shows that students with families engaged in their education are more likely to:

- Learn to read faster
- Adapt better to school
- Take more challenging classes
- Have better attendance
- Have better social skills & behavior
- Have higher grades and test scores
- Graduate
- Get promoted