



The *Imagination Library* in Okanogan County & Bridgeport



The Imagination Library is a book gifting program that supports early literacy by mailing a free, age appropriate, high-quality book to registered children each month from birth until age 5. It was started over 20 years ago by musician Dolly Parton in honor of her father, who was illiterate. The Imagination Library now mails well over 1 million books each month to registered children throughout the US, UK, Canada, Ireland, and Australia.

In January 2019, **Okanogan County Child Development Association (OCCDA)** partnered with the Imagination Library to offer this amazing program throughout all of Okanogan County & Bridgeport. This program is free to all children ages 0-5 living in OK County & Bridgeport and is supported by generous community contributions.

Program overview

- ◆ Registered children from birth to age 5 are ***mailed a free, high quality, age-appropriate book each month***
- ◆ Participation in the program is ***free for all children ages 0 to 5 years in Okanogan County & Bridgeport***
- ◆ Children ***sign up just one time*** and graduate from the program on their 5th birthday
- ◆ The program is ***operated locally by OCCDA*** in partnership with Dolly Parton's Imagination Library Foundation
- ◆ Books are mailed directly from Dolly Parton's Imagination Library organization
- ◆ Program funding and support is provided locally through ***generous community contributions***

Book Highlights

- ◆ Penguin Random House is the exclusive book publisher for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library
- ◆ Books are selected by early childhood experts to be ***age appropriate*** and align with ***developmental needs***
- ◆ Custom inserts with ***guided reading activities*** encourage parent/caregiver interaction
- ◆ Two of the books received each year are ***Spanish/English bilingual publications***
- ◆ The first book received is ***The Little Engine That Could***; the last book is ***Look Out Kindergarten, Here I Come***

For more information or to sign up online, please contact:

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