



# MEDIA ADVISORY

OFFICE OF COUNTY MAYOR GLENN JACOBS

400 Main Street, Suite 615, Knoxville, TN 37902

WHEN: noon to 1 p.m. on Thursday, May 23

WHERE: Zoo Knoxville (at the Event Tent)

## **Mayor Jacobs, KCS Superintendent to Host ‘Read City’ Pizza Party**

**BACKGROUND:** The One Book Read City Scavenger Hunt Pizza Party takes place this Thursday at Zoo Knoxville. Knox County Mayor Glenn Jacobs, KCS Superintendent Jon Rysewyk, Knox County Board of Education Chair Betsy Henderson and Knox Education Foundation CEO Mike Taylor will be there along with a representative from each of the participating One Book Read City Elementary Schools.

One child from each of the more than 50 elementary schools across the county was selected to attend the party after completing a recent scavenger hunt and winning a random drawing. Weigel’s will provide the pizza and Cruze Farm will provide ice cream.

One Book Read City is a shared reading experience which promotes literacy, builds community, encourages critical thinking, and inspires creativity. One Book Read City is an initiative of Knox County Schools, Knox Education Foundation, Knox County Mayor's Office, and Knox County Public Library with support from many businesses and organizations to provide gift copies of one book that every Knox County elementary student will read together. Nearly 30,000 students participate in the program.

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