In 2019, the Children’s & Young Adult Interest Group provided webinars and helped organize workshops to help librarians across the state to enhance their professional development. In September, Cindy Christin, Amelea Kim, and Maren Engen went to Indianapolis to attend the Collaborative Summer Library Program conference in order to workshop the summer reading program at a national level. We provided insight as to what is helpful and interesting to Montana as well as input on themes, programming ideas, and promotional materials.

Although MLA was cancelled, we had planned on having a Summer Reading brainstorm and had speakers from the University of Montana lined up to educate librarians who work with children on various developmental stages. We also have been working on the Ready2Read website relaunch, updating information and resources as well as the overall look and layout.

We hope to continue to provide services as previously mentioned as well as liaison with CSLP and other related summer reading resources.

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