It’s a Crime Not To Read
A true literacy partnership
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Partnership between Calgary Public Library, Calgary Police Service, Calgary Board of Education and Calgary Separate School Division
Access to Library Resources
CFL Summer Institute 2007
It's a Crime Not to Read Program
Parents’ Responses

“I think it was a wonderful idea to combine the school, library, and police force in the all around development of each child. The community as a whole helps each child to grow.”
My favorite part about the program was visiting the library because they have me and my sisters favorite books and when the volunteer came to visit us at our school.
I like reading books because I love it. It is so peaceful. I like when constable robots help. They were helping me with the book. I was constable robots before. Constable robots are so nice.
Results

- increased reading time by 28%
- Improved reading levels
- 99% of children got Library Cards
Challenges

- Communication among partners
- Finding Police Officers who are able to participate
- Seeking yearly funding
- Staff capacity
Program Growth

- 8 Calgary schools
- 20 classes/over 500 children participating
- 6 Library locations
- Funding from 6 Rotary Clubs and one corporate source
- Additional expansion planned
The Calgary Public Library

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