- 1. Hi, I'm Kelli McDaniel, Assistant Director of the Piedmont Regional Library System. Thanks to a partnership between our library system and the Jackson County School System, we are excited to invite all Jackson County students to come PLAY at the library.
- 2. The PINES Library Access for Youth, or PLAY, program provides every student in Jackson County Schools with a digital library card.
- 3. This digital library card allows them access to all of our incredible online resources, as well as resources at the 6 Jackson County libraries and other PINES libraries across the state.
- 4. The benefits of the PLAY card are endless, and it all begins at our website. By using their PLAY card, a student can access over 11 million items in our catalog of books, DVDs, eBooks, and downloadable audiobooks. They can use the online world book encyclopedia, explore Mango, a highly-rated language learning app, and even take practice tests for the PSAT and SAT.....all for free! That's not even mentioning the incredible in-library benefits we provide like programming for all ages and our knowledgeable and friendly staff.
- 5. To use your PLAY card online, simply log in to any of our eLibrary resources, like eRead Kids shown here, by entering the letters JAC in all caps, followed by your student ID number. If a resource asks for a PIN number or a password, it will be the students two-digit birth month and four-digit birth year. For example, if a student was born in June of 2012, their password would be 062012.
- 6. In the library, the PLAY card will let students use our computers and check out up to 5 items for 2 weeks.
- 7. The student will simply tell the staff member checking them out that they are a PLAY card holder, and then provide their student ID number. There are no late fees associated with these items, and charges will only accrue if an item is lost or damaged.
- 8. Students will have access to their PLAY card automatically, unless a parent or guardian completes a non-participation form to remove their student from the program. To access the non-participation form, or to learn more about the many benefits of our PLAY card program, please visit the Piedmont Regional Library System's website at prlib.org/jacksonplaycard.
- 10. We are so excited about all the opportunities this unique partnership offers students in Jackson County Schools. We are even more excited to show you all that our libraries have to offer. We can't wait to see you in the library