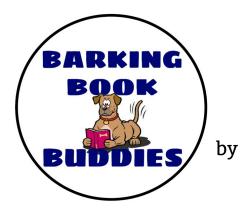
## **ORIENTATION GUIDE**

## What will the children be doing?

 The Cedar Bend Humane Society volunteers will take a group of 4 children (accompanied parents) into a dog kennel room at the Humane Society.



- Each child will choose a dog and have 10-15 minutes to read stories to them.
- They may either bring their own book, or select from a variety of children's books provided at the shelter.
- When the dog comes forward in its cage to listen to the child read, the child will be asked to give a treat to the dog. This calms the dog and also helps to socialize it.
- The child will sit on a pillow or stool <u>outside</u> of the dog's kennel and read out loud.

## **RULES:**

Please make sure you go over this information with your child **BEFORE** coming to the read-in. There will also be a short orientation for each group of children before they enter the dog kennel room. Here are some rules we will ask your child to follow:

- Use inside voices at all times.
- KEEP FINGERS OUT OF KENNELS: There will be times when the children can pet the dogs, but for their safety, we ask they keep their hands and bodies outside of the cage.