

Franklin Public Schools believes that summer is a time to foster a joy of reading and provide opportunities for children to explore different literary genres. Engaging in summer reading complements our district's literacy vision: Read and Write Widely, Think Critically and Creatively, Read Strategically, and Communicate Effectively. Families can help their children in a variety of ways.

- *Read **to** and **with** children of all ages. Adults or siblings may choose to read aloud.*
- *Help your child select “just right” books to read independently. This means your child can read most of the words easily **and** understand the story.*
- *Discuss books with your children.*
- *Encourage children to try different genres including poetry and nonfiction.*
- *Encourage children to try different materials including newspapers, magazines, and digital resources.*

Included is a list of suggested authors and series; all have been recognized for their outstanding contribution to children's literature. Each grade level list includes a range of texts. We encourage you to help your child choose reading materials from across lists, or select choices beyond the suggested lists, that will help foster his/her love for reading.


In the fall, we will celebrate summer reading in our classrooms. One way students can participate is to share book spines showcasing their favorite summer reads to create classroom book towers. Please see the attached form for directions. We look forward to hearing about your favorite books and can't wait to see how tall we can build our towers.

Wishing you all the best for a safe and happy summer!



Entering Grade 4

Authors	Series
Fred Bowen	<u>A Boy Called Bat</u>
Betsy Byars	<u>A Dog's Purpose</u>
Beverly Cleary	<u>Aesop's Fables</u>
Andrew Clements	<u>Animal Ark</u>
Chris Colfer	<u>Artemis Fowl</u>
Sharon Creech	<u>Bad Guys</u>
Christopher Paul Curtis	<u>Big Nate</u>
Roald Dahl	<u>Chet Gecko</u>
Jacqueline Davies	<u>Clarice Bean</u>
Margaret Davidson	<u>Clementine</u>
Kate DiCamillo	<u>Clubhouse Mysteries</u>
Douglas Florian	<u>Emily Windsnap</u>
John R. Gardiner	<u>Fenway and Hattie</u>
Chris Grabenstein	<u>Guardians of Ga'hoole</u>
Jeff Kinney	<u>Geronimo Stilton</u>
Gordan Korman	<u>Geronimo Stilton</u> (Historical Fiction Graphic Novels)
Mike Lupica	<u>Goddess Girls</u>
Jake Maddox	<u>Hank Zipzer</u>
David Macaulay	<u>I Am</u> (Grace Norwich)
Patricia MacLachlan	<u>I Survived...</u>
Ann M. Martin	<u>Jasmine Toguchi</u>
Megan McDonald	<u>Key Hunters</u>
Kate Messner	<u>My Weird School</u>
Katherine Paterson	<u>Myth-O-Mania</u>
Sara Pennypacker	<u>Nancy Drew Clue Crew</u>
Dav Pilkey	<u>Poetry for Young People</u>
Rodman Philbrick	<u>Stepping Stone Classics</u>
Patricia Polacco	<u>The (Fairly) True Tale Series</u>
Cynthia Rylant	<u>The Hardy Boys Secret Files</u>
Louis Sachar	<u>The Wild Robot</u>
Jon Scieszka	<u>Tiny Geniuses</u>
Chris Van Allsburg	<u>Warrior Cats</u>
Bill Wallace	<u>Way of the Warrior Kid</u>
E.B. White	<u>What Was..</u>
Rita Williams-Garcia	<u>Who Was/Is...</u>
Jacqueline Woodson	<u>Who Would Win</u> (non-fiction)
Jane Yolen	<u>Where Is ...s</u>
John Yost	

Magazines	Digital Resources
<p><i>American Girl</i> <i>Cricket</i> <i>Highlights</i> <i>Kids Discover</i> <i>Ladybug</i> <i>My Big Backyard</i> <i>National Geographic for Kids</i> <i>Spider</i> <i>Sports Illustrated for Kids</i> <i>Time for Kids</i></p>	<p>Hoopla https://bit.ly/3puX3ZC (Franklin Public Library link to create an account with library card)</p> <p>Kids National Geographic https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/</p> <p>Storyline Online https://storylineonline.net/</p>
Community Summer Reading Incentives	
 <p>Franklin Public Library https://bit.ly/3mtGxIR</p>	 <p>Barnes & Noble Summer Reading Journal https://bit.ly/3wENxs1</p>
 <p>Rockland Trust https://bit.ly/3amSgpT</p>	 <p>Scholastic https://bit.ly/3ly8fUl</p>