## Garfield School District Summer Reading Program 2022 Students Entering Kindergarten

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"Prevent the summer slide and read!"

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Dear Parents and Students,

I want to thank you for the consistent effort you put forth this school year. Your child has worked so hard and maintaining the skills he/she has acquired is important. Enclosed in this packet is the required reading assignment for the upcoming school year. This should be done throughout the summer to make reading a natural part of your day.

To help foster a love of reading at a young age, reading to your child every day is essential! Making this part of your daytime or bedtime routine is helpful. Children can meet characters, use their imagination, learn something new, become familiar with text, and hear what fluent reading sounds like, all while spending quality time with you. In addition to reading, practicing letter sounds and identifying letters is important, too.

Upon returning to school, students will hand in their completed activities to their teacher. The elementary schools will recognize those students for their extra hard work and dedication to reading by bestowing upon them a reward for their participation in the program as well as giving credit towards their reading grade.

All information can be accessed on www.gboe.org by clicking on the summer reading link. Forms for assignments can be recreated by photocopying, downloading off the school website, using a word document, or handwriting it on a separate piece of paper. Copies can also be found at the Garfield Public Library.

Once again, thank you for your continuous involvement in your child's education.

Sincerely,

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#### Why read to them?

- Reading encourages social-emotional skills
- Grows their attention span
- Helps develop writing skills
- Increases comprehension
- Exercises their brain
- Improves vocabulary
- Builds background knowledge
- Models reading
- Influences their love of learning
- Builds and fosters relationships

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All incoming Kindergarten students in the elementary schools throughout Garfield will be participating in this year's Summer Reading Program. The suggested reading list is attached; however, *students may choose a book on any topic they enjoy*. To be rewarded for successful reading, the summer reading log form and all assignments are to be completed and returned to the student's classroom teacher <u>no later than the first week upon returning to school.</u>

## Required Reading:

## **Incoming Kindergarteners:**

- Students must read or have <u>5 books</u> read to them. Our goal is to foster a love of reading! Please feel free to read any book that is of high interest to your child. Bedtime is a great time to do this!
- Complete the story assignments for **1 book** that was read. Your child should complete this to the best of his/her ability. **Parents** should assist as needed.
- Complete the Reading Log Form.
- Students must practice letter recognition and letter sounds. Being able to identify all letters of the alphabet, out oforder, and knowing the sound each letter makes is a helpful way to start kindergarten.
- Read each sentence with your child (use dots under words to help) and practice reading sightwords.
- Practice writing his/her first and last name on the handwriting steet

<sup>\*</sup>Upon completion of the summer reading assignment, your child should have the opportunity to read or be read to every day or night!

## **Suggested** Summer Reading List for Kindergarten

### Students are NOT limited to this list!

Bad Kitty by Nick Bruel

Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See? Bill Martin Jr.

Click, Clack, Moo, Cows That by Doreen Cronin

David Goes to School by David Shannon

Duck! Rabbit! By Amy Krouse Rosenthal and Tom Lichtenheld

First Day Jitters by Julie Danneber

First Day of School by Mercer Mayer

Giraffes Can't Dance Giles Andreae

Ice-cream Soup Ann Ingalls

If You Give a Mouse a Cookie Felicia Bond

Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten by Joseph Slate

Off to Kindergarten by Tony Johnston

The Day The Crayons Quit by Drew Daywalt

The Kissing Hand by Audrey Penn

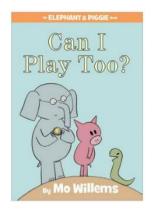
The Night Before Kindergarten by Natasha Wing

The Rainbow Fish Marcus Pfister

Tool School Joan Holub

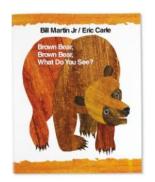
Wemberly Worried. by Kevin Henkes

Any books written by:
Ezra Jack Keats
Eric Carle
Eric Litwin (Pete the Cat books)
David Shannon
Dr. Seuss
Mo Willems



Leveled books: First Little Readers Bob books Penguin Young Readers





<b>Directions:</b> Draw a	picture about yo	our book.	
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Book Title	Author	Parent/Guardian Signature
Checklist: Assignments have been	n completed:	
	by a parent/guardian:	

Name:			
	to each uppercase letter s s well as the sound it mak		tell you
G	Y	T	F
L	Q	Z	
В	M	Р	K
R	0	C	Ν
S	E	D	U
A	J	Н	W
V	X		

	t to each lowercase letter as well as the sound it make		l tell you
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	q	Z	i
b	m	p	k
r	0	С	n
S	е	d	U
a	j	h	W
V	X		

Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Directions: Read each sentence pointing your finger under each word. The circles are there to help you. See if you can find sight words from List A in the sentences.

I like the red ball.



The pig is in the mud.



The duck is in the water.



My name is Bob.



Max and Jax are my dogs.

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## Practice reading some sight words!

Word List A	
the	we
I	it
to	and
а	up
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my	see
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