

Haverhill Public Schools

Summer Reading 2023

Dear Families,

Summer provides a wonderful opportunity for students and families to enjoy great books together! The goal of the Haverhill Public School summer Reading Program is to foster a love of reading. Reading over the summer can also help students to maintain, or even improve their reading skills. In order to meet the needs of each students' reading skills and interests, the Haverhill Public School Summer Reading lists contain a variety of genres and culturally diverse books at various reading levels. Our lists are identified by grade levels in order to help families choose appropriate books for each child this summer. Please feel free to have your child read any books that interest them though!

It is so important for students to continue reading during the summer to maintain the progress they made during the school year. It is encouraged to set aside a time each day to read.

Many of the books on the Summer Reading list are available at the Haverhill Public Library as well as online with the use of a library card. We are excited that HPS students will continue to have their Chromebooks during the summer. If your child does not have a library card **please contact the Haverhill Public Library**. It is **free** and students will have access to all books and online resources at the library.

Here are some ways in which families can help your students enjoy reading this summer:

- It is okay to read a book to your child if the reading level is too difficult, children learn so much from listening and answering questions about stories
- Have a "family reading night" where everyone reads their own book
- Read one of your favorite books as a child to your child and talk about why it is one of your favorites
- Ask your child "why" questions about the book. (for example, "why did you like this book?", "why was this character your favorite?")
- Have the child find evidence in the book that support their answer
- Find a series your child enjoys; they'll want to keep reading the next book in the series
- Encourage them to try new genres—magazines, graphic novels or nonfiction books about a topic they are interested in.

READING IS A REWARD!

1. Please keep a list of **all** the books that were read this summer. You can use the attached sheet and go on to the back if needed.
2. We ask each parent, guardian, or sibling that reads with the student to write their name after the title of each book. *When we return to school in September, treats will be awarded to students that have read 3 or more books!*

Have a wonderful summer!



Books I've Read this Summer:

Name: _____

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