

## Summer Reading FAQ

**My child is a beginning reader. What is the best way to support my child's reading over the summer: reading to my child, reading with my child or having my child read independently?**

As your child learns to read, it is important to find a balance of "to, with and by" reading. Your involvement in all aspects of the reading process will lead to a pleasurable and rewarding experience for both you and your child.

Throughout the summer, allow your child pick a variety of books that are of interest to them. It is important, however, that children do not read books that are too difficult. Research has shown that reading books that are at a "frustration level" can actually stunt a reader's growth or send them backwards in their development.

*The Tenafly Public Library* has the "best summer picks" for your child. Please take a trip there or visit them at <http://tenafly.bccls.org/> to meet all of your summer reading needs.

**The more that you read,  
the more things you will know.  
The more that you learn,  
the more places you'll go.**  
-Dr. Seuss

Dear Parents and Students,

It is our absolute pleasure to share the 2017 summer reading list with you!

The district summer reading list was compiled to include a variety of genres, interest levels, and diverse authors. These are only our recommendations, **NOT** requirements. We highly encourage you to explore other titles and authors.

It is most important that students continue to read over the summer. Our goal is to aspire lifelong readers by providing positive reading experiences.

We strongly encourage you to read aloud to your child. Research shows that reading aloud improves comprehension, vocabulary, fluency and analytical thinking.

Don't forget to take a trip to the local public library to explore more books!

Happy Reading!

Sincerely,

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(For students entering)

## Grades K & 1

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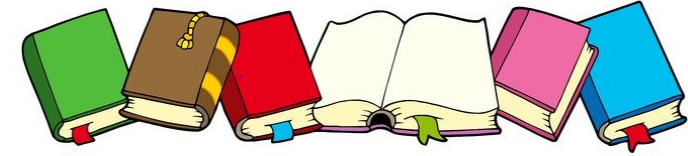
## Fiction

TITLE	AUTHOR
A Bad Case of Stripes	Shannon, David
Ada Twist, Scientist	Beatty, Andrea
Are We There Yet?	Santat, Dan
Bink & Gollie	DiCamillo, Kate & McGhee, Alison
Blackout	Rocco, John
Blue on Blue	White, Dianne
Boss Baby	Frazee, Marla
Eat Your Peas: A Daisy Book	Gray, Kes
Extra Yarn	Barnett, Mac
Get a Hit, Mo!	Adler, David
Iggy Peck, Architect	Beatty, Andrea
I Want My Hat Back	Klassen, Jon
My Teacher is a Monster	Brown, Peter
Night Before First Grade	Wing, Natasha
Night Before Kindergarten	Wing, Natasha
Rabbit & Robot: The Sleepover	Bell, Cece
Rosie Revere, Engineer	Beatty, Andrea
Shark vs. Train	Barton, Chris & Lichtenheld, Tom
The Adventures of Beekle	Santat, Dan
The Day the Crayons Came Home	Daywalt, Drew
The Giving Tree	Silverstein, Shel
Triangle	Barnett, Mac
We Found a Hat	Klassen, Jon



## Nonfiction

TITLE	AUTHOR
A Boy and a Jaguar	Rabinowitz, Alan
A Splash of Red: The Life and Art of Horace Pippin	Bryant, Jen
Becoming Babe Ruth	Tavares, Matt
Coral Reefs	Chin, Jason
Creature Features	Jenkins, Steve
Grand Canyon	Chin, Jason
Guess Who, Haiku	Caswell, Deanna
Henry Aaron's Dream	Tavares, Matt
Ivan: The Remarkable True Story of the Shopping Mall Gorilla	Applegate, Katherine
Jimmy the Joey: The True Story of an Amazing Koala Rescue	Kelly, Susan
La Madre Goose: Nursery Rhymes for Los Niños	Elya, Susan Middleton
The Iridescence of Birds: A Book About Henri Matisse	MacLachlan, Patricia
Trombone Shorty	Andrews, Troy & Collier, Bryan
What Do You Do When Something Wants to Eat You?	Jenkins, Steve



## Fiction Series

TITLE	AUTHOR
Amelia Bedelia	Parish, Peggy
Biscuit	Capucilli, Alyssa Satin
Curious George	Rey, H.A.
"Don't Let the Pigeon" Series	Willems, Mo
Elephant and Piggie	Willems, Mo
Fancy Nancy	O'Connor, Nancy
Fly Guy	Arnold, Tedd
Henry and Mudge	Rylant, Cynthia
If You Give a Mouse a Cookie	Numeroff, Laura
Katie Woo	Manushkin, Katie Woo
Nate The Great	Sharmat, Marjorie
Penny	Henkes, Kevin
Pete the Cat	Dean, James & Litwin, Eric
Poppleton	Rylant, Cynthia
Mr. Putter & Tabby	Rylant, Cynthia
Rainbow Magic	Meadows, Daisy
Puppy Place	Miles, Ellen
Frog and Toad	Lobel, Arnold
Mercy Watson Series	DiCamillo, Kate

