



LCA SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2023

(K5-12th Grades)

Dear LCA Parents,

LCA is instituting a summer reading program to encourage excellence in reading. Studies indicate that children in their early years who read, are read to, and own books perform better in the classroom and on tests than those who do not. LCA is committed to helping your students receive a superior education. Subsequently, our summer reading program will require your child to read at least one of the titles listed before he/she returns to school. ***In August, students will be given assignments related to the required summer reading. Quizzes may be given based on the discretion of the teacher.*** Make sure that your child reads the required summer reading.

Your child's grade is listed as the one he/she will enter in the fall (example: students who have just finished 2nd grade follow the list for rising 3rd graders). Please encourage your student to read the Recommended List as well. These are great books that will improve your child's reading and enhance his/her life. Your participation in the "Read Alouds" will demonstrate your commitment to your child's/children's excellence in reading as well.

Additional ideas to encourage reading:

- Library & Sweet Treat Night – the entire family goes to the library to choose books and then out to Dairy Queen or Sweet Frog for a cool reward.
- Outdoor blanket party – books, lemonade, and reading anywhere in the yard or on the porch.
- Used bookstore treasure hunt – whoever finds the best book for the cheapest price chooses the next read-aloud book.
- Reading caves – make a corner of the room, closet, garage, or tree fort a reading hideout for your child/children.
- Set the timer to limit video games, TV, and computer play especially in the summer when we are most likely to lose track of their gaming time.

The sky is the limit for ways to encourage your child/children to love books, so have a great summer vacation and read, read, read!

Sincerely,

LCA Faculty/Administration

Rising 4th Grade

Required Book:

Number the Stars by Lois Lowery

Recommended Books (not required):

The Borrowers by Norton

The One and Only Bob by Applegate

Meet Thomas Jefferson by Barrett

Phoebe the Spy by Griffin

Books to enjoy together (parents read aloud):

The Sign of the Beaver by Speare

Strawberry Girl by Lenski

My Side of the Mountain by George

Rising 5th Grade

Required Books (Choose 2):

Mr. Poppers Penguins by Atwater

The Indian in the Cupboard by Banks

A Tale of Despereaux by DiCamillo

My Side of the Mountain by George

The One and Only Ivan by Applegate

Chained by Kelly

The Water Horse by King-Smith

Recommended Books (not required):

Sign of the Beaver by Speare

We Were There with Mayflower Pilgrims by Webb

Island of the Blue Dolphins by O'Dell

Rising 6th Grade

Required Book:

Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls

Recommended Books:

The Horse and the Boy by C.S. Lewis

The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis

Escape: Children of the Holocaust by Zullo

Books to enjoy together (parents read aloud):

Roll of Thunder Hear, Hear My Cry by Taylor

Cheaper by the Dozen by Gilbreth

Kidnapped by Stevenson