



# LCA SUMMER READING PROGRAM 2023

## (K5-12<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> grade follow the list for rising 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 K5

### Books to enjoy together (parents read aloud):

<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>
<i>Make Way for Ducklings</i>	Robert McCloskey
<i>Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel</i>	Virginia Lee Burton
<i>Peter Rabbit (and other adventures)</i>	Beatrix Potter
<i>Officer Buckle and Gloria</i>	Peggy Rathmann

## Rising 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

### Books to enjoy together (parents read aloud – choose any 5 books):

<u>Title</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Additional Books</u>
<i>Frog and Toad series</i>	Arnold Lobel	Any Eric Carle book
<i>Henry and Mudge series</i>	Cynthia Rylant	Any Dr. Seuss book
<i>Duck on a Bike</i>	David Shannon	
<i>Bear Snores On</i>	Emma Wilson	
<i>Nate the Great</i>	Marjorie Sharmat	
<i>Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears</i>	Verna Aardema	

## Rising 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

### Required Book:

*Frederick* by Leo Lionni

### Recommended (Not Required):

*Balto: The Bravest Dog Ever* by Standiford  
*Little Bear's Friend* by Minarik  
*Corduroy* by Freeman

### Books to enjoy together (parents read aloud):

*Mr. Popper's Penguins* by Atwater  
*The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* by Baum  
*My Father's Dragon* by Gannet

## Rising 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

### Required Books:

*Littles and the Big Storm* by Clark; Peterson  
*Skylark* by MacLachlan

### Recommended:

*The Secret Garden* by Burnett  
*Runaway Ralph* by Cleary  
*Misty of Chincoteague* by Henry

### Books to enjoy together (parents read aloud):

*The Cricket in Times Square* by Selden  
*The Door in the Wall* by DeAngeli  
*The Twenty-One Balloons* by DuBois