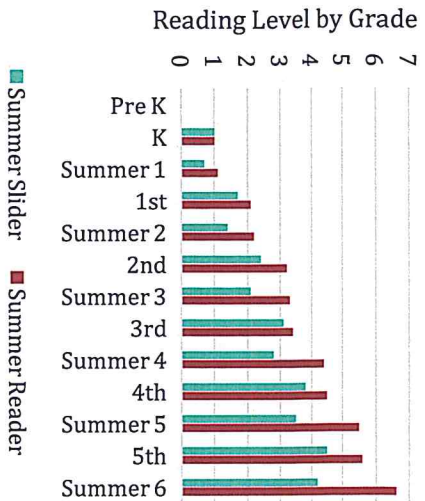


Effects of the Summer Slide



Summer Slide

When students do not read consistently during summer, they lose an average of 3 months of growth.

When students READ DAILY during the summer, they return to school ahead of where they left off.

??? Need Books ???

Contact one of the following people and we'll help you start building a Home Library with books your child will enjoy!

Penny Waite – Reading Specialist

Ellen Lester – Librarian

Tracy Davidson – Title 1 Teacher

Ryan Westenskow – Principal

HOW CAN I STRENGTHEN THE READING CULTURE IN MY HOME?

1. Set aside time each day.
2. Make it fun.
3. Give kids lots of choices.
4. Take family trips to the Library.
5. Replace video games with books.
6. Buy good books for birthday and Christmas presents.
7. Let your kids see you read.
8. Avoid using bribes and rewards, they can do more harm than good.



FAMILY READING CHALLENGE

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"Children are made readers on the laps of their parents."

- Emilie Buchwald

What Research Says

The Family Reading Challenge is more than just an invitation to read as a family, it is a challenge to make our homes literacy-rich environments where young readers can thrive!

Research says...

1. A steady stream of new, age-appropriate books can triple a child's interest in reading within months.
2. Teaching kids to LOVE BOOKS is more effective than teaching any other reading skill.
3. When kids are read to at least three times per week, they are twice as likely to become successful readers.



A good book read-aloud will capture the imagination of almost any child.



Children can develop literacy skills at an early age, putting them on track for success in school.

How to Do It

"Kids not only need to read a lot but they need lots of books they can read right at their fingertips."

– Richard Allington

1. ACCESS TO GOOD BOOKS

- Build a home library.
- Make frequent library visits.

2. JOYFUL READING

- Let children choose what to read.
- Select new books regularly.
- Expose kids to a wide variety.

3. EARLY & OFTEN

- Help babies learn how to hold books and turn pages.
- Read to kids so that they hear fluent language and new words.
- Establish daily rituals.
- Remember: It's never too late!

Three Pillars to Success

