



SUMMER READING PARENT LETTER

Dear Parent(s) and/or Guardian(s),

With the end of the school year quickly upon us, we know that you are making plans for your child’s summer activities. While the summer months are a welcome opportunity for fun and relaxation, the break from school activities often causes students to experience a lag in learning returning to school in the fall. This lag in learning is often referred to as the “Summer Slide”. The summer slide can result in students losing two to three months of reading proficiency.

In an effort to lessen this effect, DC Public Schools’s Elementary English Language Arts (ELA) and Library Programs teams are encouraging all elementary students and rising middle schoolers to participate in DC Public Library’s Summer Reading Challenge through providing incentives for students to read over the summer.

It’s easy! Just sign up online at dclibrary.beanstack.org/reader365 or visit your neighborhood library [see back for details]. Both you and your child(ren) can participate! Read at least 20 minutes every day and log your progress. There are prizes each month! For more information on the prizes that you may earn, visit dclibrary.org/summerchallenge.

Show us what you and your child(ren) are reading by tweeting us @DCElementaryELA and @DCPL and using the hashtags #DCPSReads and #Read20. We may retweet you!

We hope that you will encourage your child(ren) to read over the summer months. Reading with your child(ren) and in their presence is a powerful model that can last a lifetime.

Educationally yours,

The Elementary ELA and Library Programs Teams

Unit 1 Topics for School Year 2019-2020

	Kindergarten	First Grade	Second Grade	Third Grade	Fourth Grade	Fifth Grade
Unit Title	Being a Good Friend and Citizen	People Who Persevere	Plants and Their Fruits	People, Laws, and Democracy	Early America	Westward Expansion
Topic(s)	Friendship, Citizenship	Perseverance	Plants	Democracy	Early America	Westward Expansion



DC PUBLIC LIBRARY

NEIGHBORHOOD LIBRARY LISTING

School Name	DCPL Branch	School Name	DCPL Branch
Ketcham Elementary School	Anacostia	Key Elementary School	Palisades
Lawrence E. Boone Elementary School		Mann Elementary School	
Moten Elementary School		Excel Academy	Parklands-Turner
Savoy Elementary School		Garfield Elementary School	
Hendley Elementary School	King Elementary School		
Leckie Education Campus	Malcolm X Elementary School		
Patterson Elementary School	Bellevue	Turner Elementary School	Petworth
Simon Elementary School		Bancroft Elementary	
Kimball Elementary School		Barnard Elementary School	
River Terrace Educational Center	Benning	Bruce-Monroe Elementary School	
Smothers Elementary School		Dorothy Height Elementary School	
Thomas Elementary School		Powell Elementary School	
Aiton Elementary School		Raymond Education Campus	Rosedale
C.W. Harris Elementary School	Truesdell Education Campus		
Drew Elementary School	West Education Campus		
Nalle Elementary School	Browne Education Campus		
Plummer Elementary School	Capitol View	Miner Elementary School	Shaw
Lafayette ES		Chevy Chase	
Eaton Elementary School		Cleveland Park	Cleveland Elementary School
Oyster-Adams Bilingual School	Garrison Elementary School		
Burrville Elementary School	Deanwood	Seaton Elementary School	Shepherd Park
Houston Elementary School		Brightwood Education Campus	
Beers Elementary School	Francis Gregory	Shepherd Elementary School	Southeast
Randle Highlands Elementary School		Brent Elementary School	
Stanton Elementary School		Payne Elementary School	
Hyde-Addison Elementary School	Georgetown	Tyler Elementary School	Southwest
Stoddert Elementary School		Amidon-Bowen Elementary School	
Bunker Hill Elementary	Lamond-Riggs	Van Ness Elementary	Takoma Park
LaSalle-Backus Education Campus		Takoma Education Campus	
Tubman ES		Mt Pleasant	Whittier Education Campus
H.D. Cooke ES	Hearst Elementary School		Tenley
Marie Reed ES	Janney Elementary School		
Capitol Hill Montessori School	Northeast	Murch Elementary School	West End
J O Wilson Elementary School		Ross Elementary School	
Ludlow-Taylor Elementary School		School Without Walls @ Francis-Stevens	
Maury Elementary School		Thomson Elementary School	Woodridge
Peabody Early Childhood/ DCPS		Burroughs Education Campus	
Watkins Elementary		Langdon Education Campus	
Wheatley Education Campus	Northwest One	Noyes Education Campus	
Langley Elementary School			
Walker-Jones Education Campus			

