

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Summer is a great time to support your child's reading progress! Students who don't read much over the summer show a decline in reading performance from the end of one year to the start of the next. Reading over the summer can help your child maintain the reading gains they made during the year AND also help prepare them for next year!

**Here are a few simple ways for you to help:**

**1. Create your free Parent/Guardian account on ReadWorks.org**

ReadWorks is a nonprofit that provides educators with thousands of free, high-quality nonfiction and fiction articles with questions and activities. ReadWorks is inviting you - all parents & guardians - to create your own free account to help your child stay on track this summer, and all year round!

1. Go to [www.readworks.org](http://www.readworks.org)
2. Click on "I'm an Educator" (parents are educators too!)
3. Click on the blue "Sign Up"
4. Make sure to choose "Parent/Guardian" as your role

**2. Print Free Summer Reading Packets Now - [www.readworks.org/summer-reading](http://www.readworks.org/summer-reading)**

To make summer reading easy, ReadWorks has curated interesting and knowledge filled summer reading packets on a range of levels that you can print and download for free!

**Keep these tips in mind when using ReadWorks this summer:**

**TIP 1:** Summer reading should be accessible and enjoyable, so be sure to choose articles that are at your child's reading level. Don't be afraid to start with articles from lower grade levels. The important thing is that students, read, read, read!

**TIP 2:** Aside from giving your child access to these high-quality texts, helping them keep track of their summer reading and discussing what they've been read with family members can also go a long way!

I hope you and your family have a great summer!