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Dear Parent:

Miami-Dade County Public Schools recognizes the importance of ensuring that students continue to strengthen reading skills and develop a passion for reading beyond the time they spend in school. Cultivating pleasurable reading helps build vocabulary and enriches students' knowledge base. In addition, increased independent summer reading of both fiction and non-fiction books helps prepare students to be successful in meeting more rigorous academic standards as schools transition to Language Arts Florida Standards.

Summer reading provides students with an opportunity for recreational reading, personal exploration, and continued intellectual growth. It may also serve as an essential component of the instructional process in schools. Research shows that students who are actively engaged in reading throughout the summer demonstrate improved academic performance during the following school year.

Your child will be required to read two books over the summer and complete an activity for each book. Each grade level has been assigned one mandatory book to read and the students must read one other book of their choice from the list provided. Behind this letter, you will find the required reading list and the activities to complete. These assignments will be **collected by September 5, 2017 and included as your child's first reading grade of the 2017-2018 school year.**

We hope that you will join us in this important effort and assist your child in further developing a love for reading.



Titles selected for the Summer Reading List reflect age appropriate literature representing diverse cultures, different genres, and varying perspectives. Titles have been arranged by grade level to assist you or your child in making appropriate reading choices.