

Sweetwater City Schools Summer Scholars Guide-Fourth Grade

As our students leave for summer break, we wanted to share some ways that parents can continue to support their child in math and reading (ELA) while they are away from school. In each grade level, students work to master specific academic standards.

Subject	4th Grade: What your child should know and be able to do to master the major work of the grade	5th Grade: Upcoming content they will encounter; the major work of the grade
Reading	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Refer to details and examples in a text when inferencing ● Determine the theme in a fourth grade reading level text ● Be able to describe characters, setting, and plot of a story in depth ● Determine the main idea and key details of a nonfiction text 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Accurately quote from a text when drawing inferences ● Determine the theme of a 5th grade level reading text ● Compare and contrast two or more characters, setting, or events in a story or drama ● Determine the main idea and key details to summarize the text
Math	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Use place value understanding to perform multi-digit arithmetic. ● Fluently know multiplication facts 0-12 as well as mental math strategies to use with multiplication and division ● Solve real world problems using addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division of whole numbers. ● Proficiently add and subtract fractions with like denominators. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Multiply 3 and 4 digit numbers ● Add, subtract, multiply, and divide with decimal numbers ● Add and subtract fractions with unlike denominators

Research shows that if children continue to read for at least 20 minutes a day throughout the summer this will help to prevent the "summer slide." Please help your child read at least 2 fiction and 2 nonfiction books. Support them further by talking with them about what they have read and encourage a writing journal. They can also use the journal to explore free-choice writing about various topics including but not limited to family vacations, fun activities, things they've learned, etc.

* A complete list of the TN Academic Math and ELA Standards can be downloaded at this webpage:

<https://www.tn.gov/education/instruction/academic-standards>

You may take advantage of the Sweetwater Public Library Summer Reading Program to encourage these goals. The program meets every Thursday at 2pm during the month of June.



4th Grade Summer Reading List

If you like **fantasy books**, you'll love:

- *Tuesdays at the Castle* by Jessica Day George
- *Door to the Lost* by Jaleigh Johnson
- Amulet series by Kazu Kibuishi
- *Percy Jackson and the Olympians* by Rick Riordan
- *The Land of Stories* by Chris Colfer
- *Harry Potter* by J. K. Rowling
- *Dragon Slippers* by Jessica Day George

If you like **adventure & mystery stories**, you'll love:

- *Survivor Diaries: Avalanche!* by Terry Lynn Johnson
- *Star Scouts* by Mike Lawrence
- *Belly Up* by Stuart Gibbs
- *The Last Kids on Earth* by Max Brallier
- *Me, Frida, and the Secret is the Peacock Ring* by Angela Cervantes
- *Jada Sly, Artist & Spy* by Sherri Winston

If you like **historical fiction**, you'll love

- American Girl Mysteries by various
- *John Lincoln Clem Civil War Drummer Boy: Based on a True Story* by E.F. Abbott
- *Esperanza Rising* by Pam Munoz Ryan
- *Lifeboat 12* by Susan Hood
- *Break Your Chains* by Emily Conolan

If you like **funny books**, you'll love:

- *Get to Work, Hercules!* (Myth-O-Mania series) by Kate McMullan
- *The Terrible Two* by Mac Barnett and Jory John
- *Phoebe and Her Unicorn* by Dana Simpson
- *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* by Jeff Kinney
- *The Worst Class Trip Ever* by Dave Barry
- *Diary of a 6th Grade Ninja* by Marcus Emerson
- *Fortunately, the Milk* by Neil Gaiman
- *Big Nate Welcome to My World* by Lincoln Peirce

If you like **realistic stories**, you'll love:

- *One-Third Nerd* by Gennifer Choldenko
- *Restart* by Gordon Korman
- *Power Forward* by Hena Khan
- *The Kicks* by Alex Morgan
- *Click* by Kayla Miller
- *Hero* by Jennifer Li Shotz

Great math practice websites:

- Xtramath.org
- Prodigy.com
- IXL
- Khanacademy
- Reflexmath

Many of these websites should be available throughout the summer on the school links page.