



Osage Elementary School Summer Reading for Students Summer 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am excited to roll out our elementary summer reading plan for students in grades K-5.

Research tells us that students need to read during the summer to *maintain* their independent reading levels. In the fall, the impact of a student not having read during the summer months, combined with the fact that many of his or her new classmates *did* read during the summer may result in a reading ability gap that could potentially widen each year making it difficult for students to keep up with the grade level reading expectations.

Research also tells us that we should encourage students to *choose* from a wide variety of books that will allow them to select books that appeal to their individual interests. I want your children to look forward to the *luxury of time* that summer will provide and allow them to experience the joy of reading books they will love. I hope our students will anticipate the publishing of a new book by a favorite author with the same enthusiasm they await the release of a new movie or video game!

I encourage parents and guardians of students entering K-5th grade to be actively involved in the book selection process. I have included several book title suggestions for students. For additional assistance and a list of recommended titles by grade, visit <http://read.camdencountylibrary.org>

With your support I want to make this a summer of reading fun. I have included a summer reading log. All reading logs can be completed and returned to my Osage School mailbox in September. Have fun, read to each other and talk about books during dinner, on vacation or while riding in a car. Help your child see that summer is a time to dive into books that feed their imagination and special interests. Think about books you read and loved as a child and create a shared memory.

Wishing you a summer filled with many reading adventures.

Yours in literacy,
Debora Reca
Reading Specialist



SUMMER READING LIST

GRADES K-2

Astronaut Annie

**Suzanne Slade, illustrated
Nicole Tadgell**

Jury House Publishers, 2018,
IN: 9780884486230

Annie uses inspiration from her
attitudes to present her career-
y aspirations.

Pattie Luce's Iking Paintings

**Francie Latour, illustrated
Ken Daley**

Windwood Books, 2018, ISBN:
11773080415

A young girl explores her
artfully and culture through her
art's striking artwork.

Big Mooncake for Little Star

Grace Lin

Little, Brown, 2018, ISBN:
10316404488

A big mooncake that Little
Star baked with her mother
is so delicious! She's not
willing to eat any until her
mother says so, but how can
she resist?

Bookjoy, Wordjoy

**Pat Mora, illustrated by Raúl
López**

Lee & Low, 2018, ISBN:
11620142868

Mora's lyrical poetry and
López's richly hued illustrations
celebrate reading, writing,
singing, and playing with words.

Five Astronauts: Mission Moon

Drew Brockington

Little Brown Books for
Young Readers, 2017, ISBN:
10318307475

Major Meowser, Waffles,
Anket and Pom Pom set up
solar power planet on the
moon.

Counting on Katherine:

**How Katherine Johnson
Saved Apollo 13**

**by Helaine Becker, illustrated
by Tien-dow Phumlruk**

Henry Holt, 2018, ISBN:
9781250137524

A nonfiction picture book about
one of the African American
and female mathematicians at
NASA and her involvement with
Apollo 13.

Dreamers

by Yuyi Morales

Neal Porter, 2018, ISBN:
9780823440559

Morales and her young son
discover how they fit into their
strange new country when
they find the public library in
this gorgeous, personal picture
book.

Dude!

**by Aaron Reynolds, illustrated
by Dan Santat**

Roaring Brook Press, 2018, ISBN:
9781626728031

Speaking just one word, a
beaver and a platypus share
a hilarious adventure at the
beach.

A First Book of the Sea

**by Nicola Davies, illustrated by
Emily Sutton**

Candlewick Press, 2018, ISBN:
9780763698829

Fifty-three poems introduce
children to the sea and to
people and beings that live
and work in and around it,
from tide pools to harbors,
deep-sea animals to explorers,
lighthouses to litter.

Fox the Tiger

by Corey R. Tabor

Balzar + Bray, 2018, ISBN:
9780062398897

Fox wishes he were a tiger—
fast and big and sneaky—and
pretends to be one, until he
meets someone who likes him
for being a fox—fast and big
and sneaky.

Good Night, Planet

by Liniers

TOON Books, 2017, ISBN:
9781943145201

After a busy day of play, a girl's
favorite toy animal begins his
day, befriending a dog, eating
a cookie, and exploring the
unknown.

Hello Lighthouse

by Sophie Blackall

Little, Brown, 2018, ISBN:
9780316362382

Learn about the unique chores
of a lighthouse keeper and
the function of a lighthouse
through delicate text and
delightful illustrations.

Hidden Figures:

**The True Story of Four
Black Women and the
Space Race**

**by Margot Lee Shetterly,
illustrated by Laura Freeman**

HarperCollins, 2018, ISBN:
9780062742469

A nonfiction picture book
that tells the story of the first
four African American female
mathematicians and their role in
the space race at NASA.

Jabari Jumps

by Gaia Cornwall

Candlewick Press, 2017, ISBN:
9780763678388

The big moment has come for
Jabari to jump off the diving
board, but is he ready?

Kick It, Mo!

**by David A. Adler, illustrated by
Sam Ricketts**

Penguin Young Readers, 2018,
ISBN: 9780425288815

Mo's family helps him practice
his kicking. Will it be enough for
Mo to make the winning goal in
the big soccer game?

Mae among the Stars

**by Roda Ahmed, illustrated by
Stasia Burrington**

HarperCollins, 2018, ISBN:
9780062651730

The story of Mae Jemison, the
first African American woman to
travel in space.

Meet Yasmin!

**by Saadia Faruqi,
illustrated by Hatem Aly**

Picture Window, 2018, ISBN:
9781684380222

Meet Yasmin, a bright, fun
Pakistani American second-
grader. With her oversize
imagination and a little help
from her family, there's no
problem she can't solve.

My Awesome Summer by P. Mantis

by Paul Meisel

Holiday House, 2017, ISBN:
9780823438712

Vibrant illustrations add whimsy
to this five-month diary in the life
of a praying mantis as it eats (its
siblings!), hides from predators,
and learns to fly.

Our Celebración!

**by Susan Middleton Elya,
illustrated by Ana Aranda**

Lee & Low, 2018, ISBN:
9781620142714

Join a spirited bilingual summer
fiesta complete with a parade,
costumes, and fireworks.

Potato Pants!

by Laurie Keller

Henry Holt, 2018, ISBN:
9781250107237

Lance Vance's Fancy Pants
Store is having a one-day-only
sale of potato pants. Potato
knows that he must hurry,
because once they're gone,
they're gone. Unfortunately,
there's an intimidating eggplant
in his way.

The Slime Book: All You Need to Know to Make the Perfect Slime

DK Children, 2017, ISBN:
9781465473738

For slime enthusiasts, this
collection of thirty easy-to-
read-and-follow DIY slime
recipes will be hours of gooey
fun!

The Stuff of Stars

**by Marion Dane Bauer,
illustrated by Ekua Holmes**

Candlewick Press, 2018, ISBN:
9780763678838

A visually stunning and poetic
representation of the beginning
of our universe and life.

The Sun Is Kind of a Big Deal

by Nick Seif

Orchard Books, 2018, ISBN:
9781338166972

Learn why the sun is a big deal
in this funny book jam-packed
with facts about the sun and
our solar system.

Thank You, Omu!

by Oge Mora

Little, Brown, 2018, ISBN:
9780318431248

Omu is exceedingly kind to her
neighbors, but when she has
given her all, can she count on
others to return her generosity?

Tiger vs. Nightmare

by Emily Tetri

First Second, 2018, ISBN:
9781628725355

Tiger and her monster gather
their courage to fend off a
fearsome nightmare in this lush
illustrated graphic novel.

We Are Grateful: Otsaliheliga

**by Traci Sorell, illustrated by
Frané Lessac**

Charlesbridge, 2018, ISBN:
9781680897723

Following a full Cherokee
year of celebrations and
experiences, this book shares
the contemporary life of the
Cherokee people, highlighting
their tradition of gratitude.

Whale in a Fishbowl

**by Troy Howell, illustrated by
Richard Jones**

Schwartz & Wade Books, 2018,
ISBN: 9781524715182

Wednesday the whale lives in
fishbowl in the city center, but
she belongs in the sea. Can
she jump high enough to reach
her joy?

What Do They Do with All That Poo?

**by Jane Kurtz, illustrated by
Allison Black**

Beach Lane Books, 2018, ISBN:
9781481479888

Learn about the unique scat
of zoo animals, as well as the
fascinating things zoos do with
the thousands of pounds of
poo they collect each day.

SUMMER READING LIST

GRADES 3-5

12 Maria Reyes Does Not Live in a Castle

Hilda Eunice Burgos
Books, 2018, ISBN:
9781620143629

a Maria tries to carve out space for large (and growing) family focusing her ambitions on attending a private school.

Quicorn Cove

Katie O'Neill
I Press, 2018, ISBN:
9781620105290

ra discovers the Aquicorns, magical sea-dwelling creatures who need her help to stop the erasing that is destroying their home.

The Cardboard Kingdom

Chad Sell
Popf Books, 2018, ISBN:
9781624719371

iverse group of kids create their own world of play and self-expression using a cardboard and a lot of imagination.

Clayton Byrd Goes Underground

Rita Williams-Garcia,
Illustrated by Frank Morrison
Listad, 2017, ISBN:
9780062215918

hen his beloved grandfather, the es man Cool Papa Byrd, dies suddenly, Clayton's anger and misplaced alliances get him into trouble. This story of family, grief, reconciliation, and the power of music is set in New York City.

Drawn Together

by Minh Lê, illustrated by
Dan Santat
Disney-Hyperion, 2018, ISBN:
9781484767603

When lack of a shared verbal language threatens to ruin a visit between a boy and his grandfather, the power of art is just the thing to bridge their differences.

Flying Lessons & Other Stories

Edited by Ellen Oh
Crown Books, 2017, ISBN:
9781101934593

Ten authors celebrate diversity through tales of Bigfoot, basketball, girl pirates, and more in a highly readable, relatable short-story collection.

Front Desk

by Kelly Yang
Scholastic/Arthur A.
Levine Books, 2018, ISBN:
9781338157796

A young girl and her family manage a motel and adjust to a new life in America after emigrating from China.

Hello, Universe

by Erin Entrada Kelly,
illustrated by Isabel Roxas
Greenwillow Books, 2017,
ISBN: 9780062414151

The lives of Virgil, Kaori, Gen, and Valencia are woven together in unexpected ways when a disaster brings them together to perform a rescue in this story of bravery and friendship.

The House That Lou Built

by Mae Respicio
Wendy Lamb Books, 2018,
ISBN: 9781524717940

Lou dreams of building a tiny house on the property her father willed to her. When taxes on the land become too high for her mother to pay, Lou needs all her ingenuity to find a way to save her dream.

Julián Is a Mermaid

by Jessica Love
Candlewick Press, 2018, ISBN:
9780763690458

Julián LOVES mermaids! A summer afternoon of dress-up fantasy is only improved by a surprise from his abuela.

Knights vs. Dinosaurs

by Matt Phelan
Greenwillow Books, 2018,
ISBN: 9780062686237

Action and comedy rule when boasting sends four of King Arthur's knights back in time to battle a legion of "terrible lizards."

Love Sugar Magic: A Dash of Trouble

by Anna Meriano, illustrated
by Mirelle Ortega
Walden Pond Press, 2018,
ISBN: 9780062498465

Leo is delighted to discover she is part of a long line of brujas running a magical bakery in Texas.

Makoons

by Louise Erdrich
HarperCollins, 2016, ISBN:
9780060577933

Twin brothers Makoons and Chickadee travel across the plains in search of buffalo with their family in the 1860s.

Me and Marvin Gardens

by Amy Sarig King
Scholastic/Arthur A.
Levine Books, 2017, ISBN:
9780545870740

While picking up trash from Devil Creek, Obe discovers a most extraordinary animal that may be the answer to the pollution.

Mighty Jack and the Goblin King

by Ben Hatke
First Second, 2017, ISBN:
9781626722675

In this sequel to *Mighty Jack*, Jack and Lilly travel through a portal to a bridge between worlds where they encounter grave dangers, fight monsters, and receive help from unexpected sources.

National Parks of the U.S.A.

by Kate Siber, illustrated by
Chris Turnham
Wide Eyed, 2018, ISBN:
9781847809766

Get an advance look at your vacation destination or take an armchair tour through twenty-one of America's spectacular natural treasures.

The Parker Inheritance

by Varian Johnson
Scholastic/Arthur A.
Levine Books, 2018, ISBN:
9780545946179

Candace would rather be home in Atlanta with her friends this summer, instead of where she is, in her grandmother's small town of Lambert, South Carolina. But the discovery of clues to an intricate puzzle entwined in the town's complicated history could lead to a hidden fortune.

Real Friends

by Shannon Hale, illustrated
by LeUyen Pham
First Second, 2017, ISBN:
9781626724167

Shannon is learning how to navigate the turbulent waters of childhood—handling bullies, dealing with cliques, and finding out who her true friends really are.

Rocket to the Moon! Big Ideas That Changed the World #1

by Don Brown
Abrams, 2019, ISBN:
9781419734045

Taking readers through the history of rocket building, this title explores the people and technology that made the moon landing possible. Includes a time line of space travel.

Sanity & Tallulah

by Molly Brooks
Disney-Hyperion, 2018, ISBN:
9781368008440

Two best friends decide to engineer a three-headed kitten named Princess Sparkle, Destroyer of Worlds. If only her name didn't turn out to be a little too appropriate.

Sarai and the Meaning of Awesome

by Monica Brown and Sarai Gonzalez, illustrated
by Christine Almeda
Scholastic, 2018, ISBN:
9781338236682

For Sarai, awesome means amazing, love, family, and fun—and it's going to take all that and more to help save the day.

Stella Diaz Has Something to Say

by Angela Dominguez
Roaring Brook Press, 2018,
ISBN: 9781626728585

Stella builds her confidence through the support of her family friends, and her beloved betta fish.

Sweep: The Story of a Girl and Her Monster

by Jonathan Auxler
Abrams, 2018, ISBN:
9781419731402

Nan is an orphan, alone and working in a dangerous, cruel world. She discovers a friendly monster, and together, they try to start a new life.

Waste of Space

by Stuart Gibbs
Simon & Schuster, 2018, ISBN:
9781481477796

In this exciting conclusion to the Moon Base Alpha trilogy, everyone is a suspect after billionaire Lars Sjöberg is poisoned, and it's up to thirteen year-old Dash to figure out who did it.

We're Not from Here

by Geoff Rodkey
Crown Books, 2019, ISBN:
9781524773045

Follow the story of a family from Earth who moves to a new planet in this sci-fi adventure that explores concepts such as immigration, culture shock, and galaxy of differences.

GRAPHIC NOVELS READING LIST

GRADES 3-5



Belinda the Unbeatable

by Lee Nordling,
illustrated by Scott Roberts
GRAPHIC UNIVERSE, 2017
ISBN: 9781512413311

When self-assured Belinda befriends shy Barbara at school, a gym game of musical chairs transforms into a magical, colorful competition in this wordless graphic fantasy.

The Cardboard Kingdom

by Chad Sell
ALFRED A. KNOPP, 2018
ISBN: 9781524719388

Sixteen imaginative kids transform their neighborhood into the Cardboard Kingdom. Their summer is filled with heroes, villains, battles, costumes, snacks, and, best of all, friends.

CatStronauts: Mission Moon

by Drew Brockington
LITTLE, BROWN, 2017
ISBN: 9780316307451

Can the quartet of CatStronauts complete a successful mission to the moon to set up solar panels to provide electricity to Earth? Rib-tickling wordplay and lovable, furry cats come together in this action-packed outer space adventure. (FIRST BOOK IN THE SERIES)

The City on the Other Side

by Mairghread Scott,
illustrated by Robin Robinson
FIRST SECOND, 2018
ISBN: 9781250152558

Sheltered Isabel must prevent San Francisco from being destroyed by a fairy war in this action-packed fantasy-historical fiction mashup.

Cleopatra in Space, Volume 1: Target Practice

by Mike Maihack
GRAPHIX, 2014
ISBN: 9780545528436

The young Egyptian princess is transported far into the future, where she must prepare to save the Nile Galaxy—but she still has to take algebra, too! (FIRST BOOK IN THE SERIES)

The Dam Keeper

by Robert Kondo
and Dice Tsutsumi
FIRST SECOND, 2017
ISBN: 9781626724266

After the death of his father, Pig becomes the keeper of the Dam, his town's only protection against the deadly fog. (FIRST BOOK IN THE SERIES)

Dog Man

by Dav Pilkey
GRAPHIX, 2016
ISBN: 9780545581608

One police dog, one justice-loving cop, one life-changing surgery! Hilarious. (FIRST BOOK IN THE SERIES)

The Dragon Slayer: Folktales from Latin America

by Jaime Hernandez,
illustrated by
F. Isabel Campoy

TOON GRAPHICS, 2018
ISBN: 9781943145294

Three traditional folktales from Latin America are given a modern twist in this full-color collection. Also available in Spanish as *La Matadragones: Cuentos de Latinoamérica* (ISBN: 9781943145317).

Dream Jumper, Book One: Nightmare Escape

by Greg Grunberg
and Lucas Tumbloom
GRAPHIX, 2016
ISBN: 9780545826044

Ben is a dream jumper. He is also the only one who can awaken his friends and save them from the endless nightmare of the evil dream-monster. (FIRST BOOK IN THE SERIES)

El Deafo

by Cece Bell
AMULET, 2014
ISBN: 9781419710209

An autobiography about growing up deaf in a hearing world and the superpowers it takes to fit in and make and keep a good friend.

5 Worlds, Vol. 1: The Sand Warrior

by Mark Siegel and
Alexis Siegel, illustrated
by Xanthe Boume, Matt
Rockefeller, and Boya Sun
RANDOM HOUSE, 2017
ISBN: 97810101935866

Adventure and action abound in this thrilling tale of three heroes on a quest to save their worlds. (FIRST BOOK IN THE SERIES)

Hilo: The Boy Who Crashed to Earth

by Judd Winick
RANDOM HOUSE, 2015
ISBN: 9780385386173

Despite being the only normal kid in a family of overachievers, D.J. finds himself in the position of needing to save the world after he befriends a boy who fell from the sky. (FIRST BOOK IN THE SERIES)

Illegal

by Eoin Colfer and
Andrew Donkin,
illustrated by
Giovanni Rigano

SOURCEBOOKS
JABBERWOCKY, 2018
ISBN: 9781492665823

A young boy, Ebo, leaves his native Ghana in search of his brother, Kwame, who is attempting to reach Europe in the hope of starting a better life.

Lowriders:

Blast from the Past
by Cathy Camper,
illustrated by

Raúl Gonzales III
CHRONICLE BOOKS, 2018
ISBN: 9781452163154

Three new friends—Elirio, Lupe, and Flapjack—have some trouble with Las Matamoscas, a gang of bullies, but discover the power of friendship in the face of bullying. (PART OF A SERIES)

Mighty Jack

by Ben Hatke
FIRST SECOND, 2016
ISBN: 9781626722644

Jack trades his mother's car keys for a packet of seeds; once planted, they grow a magical and dangerous garden leading to another world. (FIRST BOOK IN THE SERIES)

My Beijing: Four Stories of Everyday Wonder

by Nie Jun
GRAPHIC UNIVERSE, 2018
ISBN: 9781512445909

Yu'er and her grandfather discover the magic of their hutong, a neighborhood made up of narrow alleys. A treat for the senses, this story is filled with a host of lovable and unique community members.

Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales: Lafayette!

by Nathan Hale
AMULET, 2018
ISBN: 9781419731488

Laugh while you learn about the man who left the comforts of French nobility to fight alongside George Washington in the American Revolution. (PART OF A SERIES)

New Shoes

by Sara Varon
FIRST SECOND, 2018
ISBN: 9781586439207

Francis the donkey, a cobbler commissioned to make fabulous shoes for the famous singer Miss Manatee, embarks on a journey to find just the right materials while learning about the plants and animals that live in the South American jungle.

Nightlights

by Lorena Alvarez
NOBROW PRESS, 2017
ISBN: 9781910620137

Sandy captures her dreams in vibrant, magical drawings, but when her dreams interrupt school lessons, she must remember not to let her talent get the best of her. The illustrations from this Colombian artist are charming, whimsical, and gorgeous.

Older than Dirt: A Wild but True History of Earth

by Don Brown and
Dr. Mike Perfit,
illustrated by Don Brown
HOUGHTON MIFFLIN
HARCOURT, 2017
ISBN: 9780544805033

A groundhog and a worm narrate an irreverent, fact-filled geologic history of Earth.

Real Friends

by Shannon Hale,
illustrated by LeUyen Pham
FIRST SECOND, 2017
ISBN: 9781626724167

A memoir about Hale's time in middle school and making friends, being part of a group, and bullying.

Red's Planet

by Eddie Pittman
AMULET, 2016
ISBN: 9781419719073

Independent and strong-willed Red longs to get away from her crowded foster home, but she gets more than she bargained for on this interplanetary adventure! (FIRST BOOK IN THE SERIES)

Sanity & Tallulah

by Molly Brooks
DISNEY-HYPERION, 2018
ISBN: 9781368008440

When Sanity's science experiment, a three-headed kitten named Princess, Sparkle, Destroyer of Worlds, goes missing, things on their falling-apart space station begin to go horribly wrong. Can best friends Sanity and Tallulah find their kitten and figure out what's really causing the space station circuitry to fail before all is lost?

Sharks:

Nature's Perfect Hunter
(Science Comics)

by Joe Flood
FIRST SECOND, 2018
ISBN: 9781626727878

This fun, fact-filled introduction to sharks will arm readers with enough information to overcome their fears of the ocean's top predator. (PART OF A SERIES)



My Reading Log



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2	Title	Author
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4	Title	Author
★ 5	Title	Author
6	Title	Author
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9	Title	Author
★ 10	Title	Author
11	Title	Author
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