

Rising Kindergarten Summer Reading List Summer 2019

Reading with your child is one of the most enjoyable and educational activities you can do as a parent. During the summer months, we recommend that you spend 15 to 20 minutes a day reading aloud to your child. Set aside time in the afternoon and/or before bed.

When Reading With Your Child...



- ◆ Be enthusiastic.
- ◆ Change your voice and facial expressions.
- ◆ Make sure children are comfortable.
- ◆ Read aloud to children frequently.
- ◆ Establish regular reading times.
- ◆ Help children notice new information.
- ◆ Point out pictures as they relate to the story.
- ◆ Explain words they may not know to help increase vocabulary.
- ◆ Ask children questions before, during, and after reading.
- ◆ Encourage children to talk about the book.
- ◆ Read many kinds of books.
- ◆ Choose books that help you teach.
- ◆ Reread favorite books.

There are also two specific activities we would like you to complete with your child before he or she enters Kindergarten in August. Please send these activities to school with your child sometime during the first week of classes.

1. Read Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten by Joseph Slate with your child. Talk about the rhyming words, the different letters of the alphabet and activities that take place in the story. Then have your child draw a picture of one way in which he or she is getting ready for kindergarten.
2. Read any book by author Eric Carle with your child. Pay special attention to the colors and textures visible in the illustrations. Let your child make a collage or illustration about the book using at least 6 colors.

Additional reading suggestions . . .

A Beasty Story by Bill Martin Jr. & Steven Kellogg
Amazing Grace by Mary Hoffman
Bear in a Square by Debbie Harter
Blueberries for Sal by Robert McCloskey
Boomer Goes To School by Constance W. McGeorge
**Chicka Chicka Boom Boom* by B. Martin Jr. & J. Archambault
Chicken Socks and Other Contagious Poems by Brod Bagert
Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes
Complete Fairy Tales and Stories by Hans Christian Anderson
Corduroy by Don Freeman
Countdown to Kindergarten by Alison McGhee
Don't Forget the Bacon! by P. Hutchins
Each Peach, Pear, Plum by Ahlberg, J. & Ahlberg, A.
Eating the Alphabet: Fruits and Vegetables from A to Z by L. Ehlert
Franklin Goes To School by Paulette Bourgeois
Frog and Toad are Friends by Arnold Lobel
Froggy Goes to School by Jonathan London
**Fox in Socks* by Dr. Seuss
Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss
If You Take a Mouse to School by Laura Numeroff
**Jamerry* by B. Degan
Look Out Kindergarten Here I Come by Nancy L. Carlson
Mary Wore Her Red Dress by Merle Peek
Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel by Virginia Lee Burton
**Miss Mary Mack* by Mary Ann Hoberman
My Five Senses by Alik
Old Black Fly by Jim Aylesworth
**One Fish Two Fish Red Fish Blue Fish* by Dr. Seuss
Pancakes, Pancakes! by Eric Carle
Stone Soup by Marcia Brown
The Alphabet Book by P.D. Eastman
The Cow That Went Oink by B. Most
The Little Engine That Could by Watty Piper
**This is the House that Jack Built* by Pam Adams
Welcome to Kindergarten by Anne F. Rockwell
Will I Have a Friend? by Miriam Cohen
Winnie-the-Pooh by A.A. Milne

*rhyming books