



SPRING HILL ELEMENTARY

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Dear Spring Hill Parents:

This summer, Fairfax County Public Schools (FCPS) will continue a summer reading requirement in order to encourage reading. Each student completing grades five through eleven is required to read at least one book during the summer months. In addition, Spring Hill Elementary School expects every child to read several books during the summer and provides a Reading Log for children to enter all the books they read.

Each student who submits a summary of their favorite book and cover illustration along with their reading log will have their work displayed in September. Students will be encouraged to share their favorite book with their peers during the first week of school. The cover illustration displays and in-class sharing will promote book talks and build a positive literacy learning community.

Attached is a Reading Log and a cover illustration and summary sheet. You can access the list of suggested books for summer reading provided by Fairfax County Public Schools for Rising Sixth and Seventh Graders at <http://www.fcps.edu/DIS/readlist/>. Students may read any book that is comparable to books on this list and approved by their parents. Additional suggestions can also be found in reading lists developed by Fairfax County Public Library at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/library/srp/> and Virginia Readers' Choice at <http://vsra.org/VRC.html>.

Reading is crucial to academic achievement, and I urge you to encourage your child to read many books over the summer months. I appreciate your help as we all work together to support children's academic progress.

Sincerely,

Roger Vanderhye

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Principal

Attachments

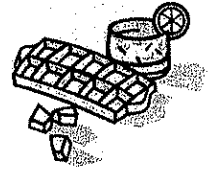
CHILL WITH YOUR FAVORITE BOOK THIS SUMMER!

Read, read, read over the summer and have your book cover and summary displayed in September!

CHALLENGE yourself by choosing books from various genres (nonfiction, biography, poetry, fantasy, mystery...



Now try your hand at being a book critic and rank each book.
 3 = Fantastic! I would recommend that you read it!
 2 = Good - You should check it out and see for yourself!
 1 = Just okay, I probably wouldn't read it again...



Choose one of your favorite books and illustrate it on the back of this paper - be colorful and creative and write a short summary in the designated section.

Turn your reading log to your homeroom teacher at the beginning of the 2009 school year!

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Every book cover will be displayed. Be ready to share your favorite book with your class!

Name: _____ HR Teacher: _____ Grade: _____



