



# Prince William County Public Schools

## Summer Reading Program

### Suggested Reading List

#### Elementary – First Grade

The purpose of the Prince William County Public Schools Summer Reading Recommendation is for students to enjoy quality literature and to continue developing their independent reading skills to support critical thinking, creative thinking, communication, collaboration and citizenship. Student participation in the challenge is voluntary. Students who choose to participate will read books they self-select. Students that read during the summer can grow and explore new experiences to support life-long reading habits.

The following titles are suggestions to help foster a love of reading for pleasure. Other books selected by the student with guidance from a parent, guardian, or librarian, are also acceptable.

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Author	Title	Publication Date	Annotation
Arnold, Tedd	<i>Hi! Fly Guy</i> or any book in the <i>Fly Guy</i> series	2005	When Buzz captures a fly to enter in the pet show, his parents and the judges tell him that a fly cannot be a pet, but Fly Guy proves them wrong.
Colando, Lucille	<i>There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Bat</i> or any book in the <i>There Was an Old Lady</i> series by this author	2002	A simple variation on the traditional cumulative rhyme.
Dean, James	<i>Pete the Cat: Rocking in My School Shoes</i> or any <i>Pete the Cat</i> book	2011	Pete the cat wears his school shoes when visiting the library, the lunchroom, the playground, and more while singing his special song.
Dr. Seuss	<i>One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish</i> or any book by Dr. Seuss	1960	An easy-to-read book of amusing rhyming words.
Greene, Stephanie	<i>Princess Posey and the First Grade Parade</i> or any book in the <i>Princess Posey</i> series	2010	Posey's fear of starting first grade is alleviated when her teacher invites the students to wear their most comfortable clothes to school on the first day.
Holm, Jennifer	<i>Babymouse: Our Hero</i> or any book in the <i>Babymouse</i> series	2005	An imaginative young mouse is terrified to face her enemy in dodgeball, but with the help of her friend and support from her mother, she proves herself a hero.
Labatt, Mary	<i>Sam Gets Lost</i> or any book in the <i>Sam</i> series by this author	2004	An easy-to-read series about Sam, the puppy.
Lobel, Arnold	<i>Frog and Toad Are Friends</i> or any book in the <i>Frog and Toad</i> series	1970	Five tales recounting the adventures of two best friends.
London, Jonathan	<i>Froggy Goes to Hawaii</i> or any book in the <i>Froggy</i> series	2011	When Froggy goes on vacation to Hawaii, he is too excited to pay much attention to his parents.
Manushkin, Fran	<i>Katie Woo Has the Flu</i> or any book in the <i>Katie Woo</i> series	2012	Katie misses school when she is home with the flu.
Mayer, Mercer	<i>Grandma's Garden</i> or any book in the <i>Little Critter</i> series	2002	Little Critter and Little Sister help their grandmother plant a vegetable garden.
Park, Barbara	<i>Junie B. Jones Has a Peep in Her Pocket</i> or any book in the <i>Junie B. Jones</i> series	2000	When Junie B. learns that her kindergarten class is going on a field trip to a farm, she worries about being attacked by a rooster.

Rylant, Cynthia	<i>Henry and Mudge in the Sparkle Days</i> or any book in the <i>Henry and Mudge</i> series	1988	In the winter Henry and his big dog Mudge play in the snow, share a family Christmas dinner, and gather around a crackling winter fireplace.
Schuetz, Sarah L.	<i>3, 2, 1 go! A Transportation Countdown</i> or any children's book about transportation	2003	Counts backward from 10 to 1, starting with ten toy school buses and ending with one toy city bus.
Scotton, Rob	<i>Splat the Cat Takes the Cake</i> or any book in the <i>Splat the Cat</i> series	2012	Splat enters a cake-baking contest, and has the goal of creating a cake shaped like a superhero.
Watt, Melanie	<i>Chester</i> or any book in the <i>Chester</i> series	2007	Melanie Watt is trying to write a story about a mouse, but her pushy cat, Chester, takes his red marker and rewrites the story.
Willems, Mo	<i>Today I Will Fly!</i> or any book in the <i>Elephant and Piggie</i> series	2007	While Piggie is determined to fly, Elephant is skeptical, but when Piggie gets a little help from others, amazing things happen.
Wood, Audrey	<i>The Napping House</i> or any children's book by this author	1984	In this cumulative tale, a wakeful flea atop a number of sleeping creatures causes a commotion with just one bite.
Yolan, Jane	<i>How Do Dinosaurs Say I'm Mad?</i> or any children's book by this author	2013	Illustrations and rhyming text explore some of the things that dinosaurs might do when they are angry – and how they should control their tempers.
"Rookie Biography" series	<i>Benjamin Franklin</i> or any book in the <i>Rookie Biography</i> series	Various	A series of biographies about many people, both historical and contemporary.
"Rookie Read-About Science" series	<i>Giant Pandas: Gifts from China</i> or any book in the <i>Rookie Read about Science</i> series	Various	A series about a wide variety of science topics, published by Children's Press.