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# Lowell School Summer Read-a-thon

## For New First Graders, July-August 2017

Dear Families,

Your children have made great progress in reading this year. Support and maintain this progress over the summer months by joining Lowell School's seventh annual

***Summer Read-a-thon.*** By reading every day, during July and August, students will enjoy escaping in a great story or learning about new topics, while strengthening their reading abilities. When school is out for summer, reading continues to thrive and grow.

Here is how it works:

- Decide on a daily reading goal for your child. To qualify for the Summer Read-a-thon Certificate, **students must read or be read to** for a **minimum of 30 minutes per day, or 930 minutes per month.**
- Students and parents/guardians should read and talk about what they read in order to check for understanding. Leveled book lists and extra Summer Read-a-thon packets can be found online on the Lowell School eboards, in Ms. Park's and Ms. Giannikos's eboard folders.
- Families will use the **July and August Reading Record** sheets to keep a record of how many minutes and books they read together each day.
- **Parents/Guardians** will confirm the time and books the children read by **initialing** each daily entry.
- At the end of the summer, **add** all the minutes for a grand total.
- Students **MUST** complete the **reflection response** about their reading. Parents/Guardians may act as scribes.
- The due date to return the **entire Read-a-thon packet** including: **Reading Record sheets**, the **signed Grand Total sheet**, **AND** the **Reading**

**Reflection sheet is Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. ALL requirements and components must be completed to receive a certificate and memento honoring the summer reading achievement.**

Students who complete the requirements of the Read-a-thon will receive recognition at a special September assembly on Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 a.m.

Good luck and ha