



Dear OPS Parent/Guardian,

We hope you and your family are safe and healthy. We are thinking of you and remain committed to continuing to support the learning of your students during this time. We know that many of you have adopted at-home learning schedules and have been working with your student to ensure that they continue their learning.

Part of our commitment includes wanting to ensure our children maintain their excitement about reading, particularly during this time. To help our students continue to build on their reading skills, we're providing a gift bag full of brand new books.

Reading for a minimum of 20 minutes each day will help our children think critically about content, connect with local libraries and book stores, learn more about different authors, plots and characters, and further develop a lifelong skill that leads to academic success.

We also encourage you and your child to let us know how much you are reading by logging your daily minutes on the OPS Summer Reading website. You can find the website at www.ops.org > About Us > Summer Reading. Last year our students read over 2,000,000 minutes! We challenge you to read even more this year!

In addition to encouraging your children to read and log their minutes every day, we also encourage them to participate in the Scholastic Reading Challenge—a free online program that lets children participate in fun activities such as games, quizzes and more. Visit Scholastic.com/summer for more information.

We appreciate your support and partnership in ensuring your child maintains a regular reading schedule now and until school resumes again. Happy reading!

Cheryl Logan, Superintendent
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