



1,000 Books before Kindergarten

READ. SUCCEED. Every Child - 30 Minutes - Every Day

Pre-K begins the path to academic success and we would like to see our Pre K students be the most successful, creative, and well-read scholars ever. Let's make our city proud of the students that it graduates.

This begins with you!

The high school graduation rate is abysmal. ***We can change it!*** Reading is the foundation for learning and it begins in the home at birth. It takes both the family and the schools to work together to prepare our children for Kindergarten. **Did you know that experts say that children need to hear at least 1,000 stories before they begin to learn how to read?**

This year we challenge each family to accomplish the goal of

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Sounds like a lot of reading, but it is very manageable. What an accomplishment if we can all work together and achieve this goal. Your child will be on the road to academic success. Let's prove that we can do it!

**This will be the 'daily homework' for Pre-K this year.
Family participation is crucial to the success of this program.
Here's how it works:**



Your family will be given a sheet to record the books your child reads with you or another family member. Read 3-4 books per day including books read in the classroom to meet the goal. Preschool level books are short and have many pictures.



Any Book Counts!

- Any complete book counts.
- A favorite book can be read multiple times. (repetition is necessary for learning)
- Anyone can read the books: teachers, family members, day care, and friends.



When Can I Find Time to Read?

- At arrival time in school; Waiting in Car; Waiting for a doctor's appointment;
- Waiting for bus; Before bed every night; In morning before school; After dinner
- Read instead of watching TV; Alternate 15 minutes computer games/15 minutes reading;
- Read an eBook; Library Story Time.



Reading Log

Take a special moment each day with your child to write down the titles. If you read the same book multiple times, just put check marks after the title. When the page is filled up, count up the books and you will receive a new sheet.



Where Do I Get Books?

- Go to the Library; Borrow from our classroom library; Swap with friends.