

May 14, 2021

Dear Bracken Parents:

As the 2020-21 school year draws to a close, it is my pleasure to present the **Bracken Christian School Elementary 2021 Summer Reading Challenge**. My goal is to encourage our students to be lifelong readers. Summer reading is an important activity for your child's intellectual and developmental growth. Research has shown the importance for children to read daily during the summer. Reading helps a child maintain and improve skills worked on during the school year. What helps make reading entertaining is allowing each child the freedom to choose books that speak to their unique interests. I hope you and your family will read many stories this summer and reap all the wonderful benefits that reading has to offer!

All students who participate and [return their reading logs by Fri. Aug. 27th](#) will be recognized during a Special Elementary Chapel. Students who read and record books meeting the minimum recommendations for their grade will receive a certificate. Please see the chart on the back of this letter for grade specifics. Students who read more will be eligible for additional recognition. I hope you will encourage your child to read over the summer months. Please review your child's reading logs periodically. (***Please note: Books you read to and/or with your child can also be counted toward their reading goal.***)

Again, thank you for encouraging your child to read.

Sincerely,

Teri Jennings,  
Bracken Christian School Librarian

Attachment: Grade Level Reading Recommendations (on back)  
Summer Reading Log

# READING RECOMMENDATIONS

K4	1 Book a week / READ BY STUDENT OR AN ADULT
K5	1 Book a week / READ BY STUDENT OR AN ADULT
FIRST GRADE	1 Book a week <i>(25 Pg. Min/per book)</i> READ BY STUDENT
SECOND GRADE	2 Books a week <i>(45 Pg. Min/per book)</i> or 1 Chapter Book per 2 weeks.
THIRD GRADE	At least 10 to 15 Books (over summer) <b>Each Book must be a minimum 100 Pgs.</b>
FOURTH GRADE	At least 10 to 15 Books (over summer) <b>Each Book must be a minimum 100 Pgs.</b>
FIFTH GRADE	At least 10 to 15 Books (over summer) <b>Each Book must be a minimum 100 Pgs.</b>