

May 19, 2025

Dear Bracken Parents:

As the 2024-25 school year comes to a close, it is my pleasure to present the Bracken Christian School Elementary 2025 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!

There are two ways to track your summer reading:

Option 1: Online Google form - that can be completed after your student finishes reading each day. This form can be found on our school website under Elementary Reading Challenge.

Option 2: Complete the attached two sided worksheet with parent signature.


Any Books you read to your child, or with them, can be counted.

The Challenge Begins Friday, May 22, 2025 and ends on Friday, August 22, 2025. No Reading logs will be accepted after this date. Student participants will be recognized in a special fall chapel.

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:** **audiobooks do not count.**

Again, thank you for encouraging your child to read!

Sincerely,



Teri Jennings,

Bracken Christian School Librarian

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

# MINIMUM READING RECOMMENDATIONS

Remember to write your book titles and total pages read

Pre-K	1 Book a week / READ BY AN ADULT
KINDER	1 Book a week / READ BY STUDENT OR AN ADULT
FIRST GRADE	2 Book a week ( <u>15 Pg. Min / per book</u> ) READ BY STUDENT
SECOND GRADE	2 Books a week ( <u>35 Pg. Min / per book</u> ) or 1 Chapter Book per 2 weeks.
THIRD GRADE	At least 10 Books (over summer) <b>Each Book min. 100 Pgs.</b>
FOURTH GRADE	At least 10 to 12 Books (over summer) <b>Each Book min. 150 Pgs.</b>
FIFTH GRADE	At least 10 to 12 Books (over summer) <b>Each Book min. 200 Pgs.</b>

Have a Safe and Happy Summer!

We count pages read and number of books