

2018 Grand River At-Home Summer Learning Program

Dear GRA Families:

We are delighted to share that our spring NWEA test results show our students made **OUTSTANDING** growth this year. As we finish another successful year, our thoughts turn to **preventing summer loss**. Summer loss (often called "summer slide") refers to the loss in academic skills and knowledge over summer vacation. All young people experience learning losses when they do not engage in educational activities during the summer. Research shows that students typically score lower on standardized tests at the end of summer vacation than they do on the same tests at the beginning of the summer. The good news is that you can help your child stay academically active during the summer because **Grand River Academy is providing an at-home summer program to ALL Y5/K-7th grade students FREE OF CHARGE!**

Scholastic Summer Reading Program (Grades Y5/K-7): A few months ago, all students in grades Y5/K-7th selected books at their reading level. On the last day of school these books will be sent home for students to read throughout the summer months. As your student(s) complete their book, they are encouraged to go online to our Survey Monkey and complete a short summary of the book. You can enter the survey information at the following website:

Grades K-2: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GRAK-2>

Grades 3-5: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GRA3-5>

Grades 6-7: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GRA6-7>

For each Scholastic Summer Reading Program book that your child reads and submits a summary, they will be entered into a drawing for some awesome prizes! We will be raffling off 3 Kindles (one per wing) and more!

Summer Bridge Activities Workbook (Grades Y5/K-7): Each student has a Summer Bridge Activities Workbook to complete during the summer. Summer Bridge Workbooks include 60 days of activities in the book, divided into three sections. This provides one page (two-sided) of work for every weekday of the summer. *It is highly recommended that you spread this book out throughout the summer and DO NOT complete it in one sitting.* The activities in the workbook include reading, writing, math, science, social studies and fitness.

Scholastic Reading Program, Summer Bridge Activities Workbook (Grades Y5/K-7)

Check-Ins: GRA staff will be on hand three times this summer to record and reward student progress with their **workbook**. Staff members will be **at Grand River in the office** to check-in student work on the below dates:

12:00 pm – 3:00 pm

- ✓ **Tuesday, July 10th**
- ✓ **Tuesday, August 7th**
- ✓ **August 22nd (Meet the Teacher Event) or turn in on the first day of school**

**Student must complete workbook sections in order and all previous sections to receive the incentives.*

If you miss one date, don't be discouraged! Keep working on the designated pages, and come in the next time!

If you have any questions about Grand River's Summer Program, please contact **Dean Mallory Harbitz** at **(248)893-6100** or **102.mharbitz@nhaschools.com**

Don't forget about Grand River's ONLINE LEARNING RESOURCES!

<https://login.i-ready.com/>

www.mynha.com/launchpad

www.mobymax.com

OTHER FREE RESOURCES

NWEA MAP practice – math and reading

www.prepdog.org

NWEA MAP Reading Practice

<http://www.sowashco.k12.mn.us/ro/pages/studentlinks/map/reading.htm>

NWEA MAP Math Practice

<http://www.sowashco.k12.mn.us/ro/pages/studentlinks/map/>