

Rising SIXTH Grade: Summer Skills 25-26

REQUIRED Summer Skills: Reading and Math

Optional Summer Activities: Science, and Social Studies,

ALL assignments must be completed and turned into your respective teacher by the first week of school!

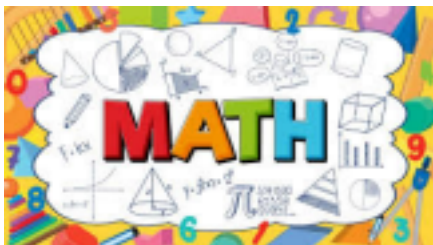


Summer Reading: Your Summer Reading assignments below are **REQUIRED** to be completed **before** school starts in August. It is fine to check out books from the library, but if you do choose to purchase them, bring them to school the first week back for extension and reflection activities.

Questions email Mrs. Laura Ward at laura.ward@sjsathens.org

Rising 6th graders: Please choose at least **TWO** books to read from the list below.

Title	Author
<i>Crossing the Wire</i>	Will Hobbs
<i>Fever, 1793</i>	Laurie Halse Anderson
<i>Found</i>	Margaret Peterson Haddix
<i>The Girl Who Drank the Moon</i>	Kelly Barnhill
<i>Hold Fast</i>	Blue Balliett
<i>Mexikid: A Graphic Memoir</i>	Pedro Martín
<i>Last Shot: A Final Four Mystery</i>	John Feinstein
<i>Legend</i>	Marie Lu
<i>Loser</i>	Jerry Spinelli
<i>The Mona Lisa Vanishes: A Legendary Painter, a Shocking Heist, and the Birth of a Global Celebrity</i>	Nicholas Day
<i>Pax</i>	Sara Pennypacker
<i>Peak</i>	Roland Smith
<i>The Running Dream</i>	Wendelin Van Draanen
<i>Stargirl</i>	Jerry Spinelli
<i>Stella by Starlight</i>	Sharon M. Draper
<i>Stormbreaker</i>	Anthony Horowitz
<i>Travel Team</i>	Mike Lupica
<i>The Wednesday Wars</i>	Gary D. Schmidt
<i>The Worst Class Trip Ever</i>	Dave Barry



Required- 6th Grade MATH Skills:

Below you will find the requirements for maintaining those math skills you worked so hard to build over the course of this school year. **All summer work will be completed on IXL.** If internet connectivity is an issue, please contact Mrs. Ward (laura.ward@sjsathens.org) as soon as possible.

- **Current St. Joseph students** must complete 20 hours of practice over the summer **through their school IXL accounts**. (This averages about 20-25 minutes per weekday over the summer.)
 - Students should practice skills from the grade level they have just completed, so 5th grade
 - If a student has skills “From Your Teacher,” they should practice those skills.
 - Some students/parents may receive an email from Mrs. Ward with other instructions. Please follow those instructions if you receive an email from Mrs. Ward about your summer math work.
 - Students should achieve a “Smart Score” of 90 or higher before moving on to the next skill.
- **New St Joseph students for the 2025-2026 school year** will need to purchase an IXL membership for the summer. (1 subject membership is \$9.95/month)
 - Students should practice skills from the grade level they have just completed and accumulate 20 hours of practice unless they receive an email from Mrs. Ward indicating otherwise.
 - At the end of the summer, two reports will need to be printed of the completed hours. (See [this video](#) for instructions on how to print the reports.)