



# Stop the Summer Slide

Summer and slides are supposed to be fun; however, we don't want this for our children when it comes to reading.

Did you know that reading 4-5 books in a summer can STOP this slide? Yes, that's right! Reading only 4-5 books in a summer can prevent a decline in a child's back-to-school reading scores.

So, let's bring back the fun in slides and keep them on the playground or water parks! Keep our children reading all summer so that when they return to school this fall they will continue the growth they made from the year before. By the 6th grade, children who lose reading skills during the summer are on average 2 years behind their peers.

## Here's what we want you to do:

- Commit to having your child read **5** books this summer. We encourage you to read with, to, or at the same time as your child.
- Within the first week of school, return any books your child checked out.

## Here's what we will do for you and your child:

- Provide a reading log for students.
- Provide a SPECIAL book bag where students can keep their books.
- Allow students to check out 2 books to take home for summer reading.
- Open our school library 2 times this summer for you to return those books and get more.
- Give a special treat to students when they visit the school library during the summer.
- Provide a coupon for a free ice cream or a free meal from a local restaurant in August for all students who return their books and turn in the completed and signed reading log.
- Have a special movie and popcorn day in the school library in August for all students who return their books and turn in the completed and signed reading log.

**When students returned the attached signed contract, they will receive the summer reading log, their special reading bag, and the two library books they choose to check out.**



## Summer Reading Contract For Pre-K Students

### Students

I, \_\_\_\_\_, know that reading is  
(student's Name)  
important. I can read to myself, to an adult, to a friend, or even my pet!\*  
Summer reading will help me to read and write better. Before turning on  
the computer, video game, tablet, or TV, I will remember that I should  
read because reading is good for me, and I CARE ABOUT ME!

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Student's Signature

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Student's Teacher

### Parents

I, \_\_\_\_\_, agree to have my child read  
(parent's name)  
**5** books this summer. I realize that I am responsible for any books checked  
out, and they will be returned to the BPS library\*\* during the summer or  
within the first week of school 2017-18.

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Parent's Signature

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Date



\*Parents may read to or with younger students who are still learning to read.

\*\*If your Pre-K student will not be returning to BPS for Kindergarten, please be sure to return all BPS books to the BPS media center by the first week of school in August. Thank you!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

# Summer Reading Log



Title	Did you like this book?  	Parent's Signature
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		

Did you read more than 5 books? Great! Write them on another paper and attach it to this one. A special prize will go to the student who reads the most books this summer. **Note: Chapter books will count as 2 books.**

Battlefield Primary School's library will be open on the following dates:

**Tuesday, June 20 - 5:00-7:00**

**Tuesday, July 18 - 5:00-7:00**

# BPS Summer Reading Program

- What do I have to do?** Read 5 books this summer during June and July.
- Why?** Reading makes you smarter! Prizes will be given out to all those who read 5 books!
- How will I get books?** Take home 2 books from the school library at the end of the school year. Come back to the school library in June and July to return these books and check out more. You can also check out books at the public library.
- What do I do when I am finished reading a book?** Write the name of the book on the Summer Reading Log, and ask a parent to sign it.

## **SUMMER READING COUPON**

***FREE POPCORN & MOVIE AT SCHOOL  
AND  
FREE ICE CREAM OR MEAL COUPON***

- Turn in signed Summer Reading Contract
  - Read 5 books
  - Return all school library books
- Turn in completed and signed Summer Reading Log

Get free “ice pops” when you return books and check out more at the BPS school library during the summer:

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