



Dear Parents,

This summer in Elmwood Park all students are being asked to complete a summer reading assignment. All students going into grades 1-6 have the option of either participating in the Summer Reading Club at Elmwood Park Public Library OR completing the district hourly reading requirement for their respective grade level. The hourly requirements are listed below. Either option is acceptable. **Students will have from May 27 – August 16 to complete their summer reading assignment.** The goal of the Summer Reading Initiative is keep students reading year around and to encourage students to read for pleasure over summer. Regular reading outside of school helps students grow and develop into more proficient readers.

Grade level	Hourly Requirement
K going to 1 st grade	10 hours or EP Summer Library Reading Club
1 st grade going to 2 nd grade	10 hours or EP Summer Library Reading Club
2 nd grade going to 3 rd grade	10 hours or EP Summer Library Reading Club
3 rd grade going to 4 th grade	20 hours or EP Summer Library Reading Club
4 th grade going to 5 th grade	20 hours or EP Summer Library Reading Club
5 th grade going to 6 th grade	20 hours or EP Summer Library Reading Club
6 th grade going to 7 th grade	Elm Middle School Requirements

Remember your child has the option to fulfill the summer reading requirement by either

1. Participating in the summer reading club at the Elmwood Park Public Library OR
2. Completing the hourly requirement for their grade level by reading books at home.

All 6th grade students moving to 7th grade must follow the summer reading requirements for the middle school.

The district Summer Reading Log is attached for students who choose to complete the district hourly requirements. **Please complete and return the form below to your child's classroom teacher by Tuesday, August 17.**

If your child decides to fulfill their summer reading requirement by participating in the Elmwood Park Summer Reading Club, **they must fulfill all requirements for the EP Summer Reading Club and bring in their certificate of completion on the 1st day of school, Tuesday, August 17.**

Thank you for continuing to support your child as a reader! Have a great summer!

Valerie McCall
Director of Reading

This letter along with the district summer reading log can be found on our website at www.epcusd401.org