

# Concord Christian School Summer Reading 2025

## For Students Entering K-5



*"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you'll go."*

*– Dr. Seuss, "I Can Read With My Eyes Shut!"*

CCS Parent Page:

[https://www.concordchristianschool.org/community/parent-page.cfm#tool\\_552611](https://www.concordchristianschool.org/community/parent-page.cfm#tool_552611)

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## Summer Reading Challenges

(Read for your grade level in 2025-2026)

The purpose of the summer reading challenge is to encourage all students to continue reading, to enrich learning, and to foster a lifelong love of reading. This year's challenge is meant to make reading fun!

The lists included are merely suggestions if you wish to use them. Our goal is for you to encourage your child to read...**to read alone, to read with someone, to listen to someone read to them...JUST READ!**

Students who complete one or more of the challenges below will receive a prize(s) when they return to school in August. Send back the completed log(s) with your child during **the first week of school** in order for them to claim their prize(s)!

### #1 Summer Reading Challenge: Summer Reading Log

Kindergarten - 2nd Grade: 10 total picture or chapter books of their choice

*\*color a book for each book read*

3rd grade: 3 chapter books of their choice

*\*color a book for every 20 mins read*

4th grade: 4 chapter books of their choice

*\*color a book for every 20 mins read*

The Summer Reading Log was sent home with your child during the last week of school.

### #2 Super Summer Reading Challenge: Summer Reading BINGO

Complete #1, PLUS complete the Summer Reading BINGO. Color in each square as you complete the listed reading prompt.

The Summer Reading BINGO was also sent home with your child during the last week of school.

### #3 Mrs. Studt's Extra Super Summer Reading Challenge:

Complete #1 and #2, PLUS print out the linked summer calendar months (June and July), and write down what you read every day on the calendars. Have a parent/guardian/grandparent sign, and return to Mrs. Studt during the first week of school in August for an Extra Super Prize!

[2025 Printable Monthly Calendar](#)

# K - 1st Grade



## CCS Suggested Summer Reading List

### **Favorite Fiction Series:**

*The Crayon Books* by Drew Daywalt  
*Biscuit* by A. Cappucilli  
*Fly Guy* by Tedd Arnold  
*Olivia* by Ian Falconer  
*Elephant and Piggie* by Mo Willems  
*Corduroy Books* by Don Freeman  
*Little Critter* by Mercer Mayor  
*Pete the Cat* by James Dean & Eric Litwin  
*If You Give...Series* by Laura Numeroff  
*Junie B. Jones* by Barbara Parks  
*Dinosaur Books* by Jane Yolen  
*Franklin* by Paulette Bourgeois  
*Frog and Toad* by Arnold Lobel  
*Froggy* by Jonathan London  
*Pinkalicious* by Victoria and Elizabeth Kann  
*Amelia Bedelia* by Peggy Parish and Herman Parish  
*Narwhal and Jelly* by Ben Canton

### **Nonfiction Books:**

*Who Would Win Series* by Jerry Pallotta  
These books compare and contrast different animals in an exciting way.

*Ordinary People Change the World Series* by Brad Meltzer  
These books focus on famous people and how they changed the world. Good books to read together or read aloud.

### **Classics or Chapter Books to Read Aloud to Your Child:**

*Where the Wild Things Are* by Maurice Sendak  
*Babe the Gallant Pig* by Dick King-Smith  
*Mercy Watson* by Kate Dicamillo  
*Make Way for Ducklings* by Robert McCloskey  
*The Tale of Peter Rabbit* by Beatrix Potter  
*Ramona the Pest* by Beverly Cleary

### **Favorite Authors:**

Cynthia Rylant	Drew Daywalt
Mo Willems	Tomi DePaola
Jory John	Stan and Jan Berenstain

Link to other recommended books by grade level (Titles not previewed by CCS Library):

<https://readingtokids.org/Books/BooksGrade.php>

# 2nd - 3rd Grades

## *CCS Suggested Summer Reading List*



### **Favorite Fiction Series:**

*Bad Kitty* by Nick Bruel  
*Flat Stanley* by Lori Houran  
*Ivy and Bean* by Anne Barrows  
*Judy Moody* by Megan McDonald  
*Berenstain Bears* by Jan and Stan Berenstain  
*Nate the Great* by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat  
*Desert Critter Friends* by Mona Gansberg Hodgson  
*The Treehouse Series* by Andy Griffiths  
*Fly Guy* by Tedd Arnold  
*Magic Tree House* by Mary Pope Osborne  
*Dog Man* by Dave Pilkey  
*Babymouse* by Jennifer Holm and Matthew Holm  
*Sideways Stories from Wayside School* by Louis Sachar

### **Nonfiction Books:**

*Who Would Win Series* by Jerry Pallotta  
These books compare and contrast different animals in an exciting way.  
*Ordinary People Change the World Series* by Brad Meltzer  
These books focus on famous people and how they changed the world.  
*The Questioners* by Andrea Beaty  
A Celebration of STEM and the people who have perseverance and passion to learn.  
*Fly Guy Presents* by Tedd Arnold  
Books in this series are topical and focus mostly on science and technology.

### **Classics or Chapter Books to Read Aloud to Your Child:**

*Berenstain Bears Chapter Books* by Jan and Stan Berenstain  
*Encyclopedia Brown* by Donald J. Sobol  
*Moo* by Sharon Creech  
*Nancy Drew* by Carolyn Keene  
*Boxcar Children* by Gertrude Chandler Warner  
*Little House on the Prairie* by Laura Ingalls Wilder  
*How to Eat Fried Worms* by Thomas Rockwell

### **Favorite Authors:**

Jan and Stan Berenstain	Jon Scieszka
Kevin Henkes	Megan McDonald
Judy Blume	Katherine Applegate
Sharon Creech	Kate DiCamillo

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# 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grades

## CCS Suggested Summer Reading List



### **Favorite Fiction Series**

*Shiloh Books* by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor  
*Wonder Books* by R.J. Palacio  
*The Books of Ember* by Jeanne DePrau  
*Chronicles of Narnia* by C.S. Lewis  
*Land of Stories* by Chris Colfer  
*Left Behind: The Kids Series* by Tim LaHaye and Jerry Jenkins  
*I Survived Series* by Lauren Tarshis  
*Brian Series* by Gary Paulsen  
*The Treehouse Series* by Andy Griffiths  
*Fudge* by Judy Blume  
*Babysitters Club* by Ann M. Martin  
*Diary of a Wimpy Kid* by Jeff Kinney  
*The Last Kids on Earth* by Max Brallier

### **Nonfiction Books**

*Who Would Win Series* by Jerry Pallotta  
These books compare and contrast different animals in an exciting way.  
*Who Is? or Who Was? Series of Biographies* Various Authors  
*What Is? What Was? or Where Is? Series* Various Authors

### **Classics or Chapter Books to Read Together:**

*Matilda* by Roald Dahl  
*From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler* by E. L. Konigsburg  
*Frindle* by Andrew Clements  
*Slacker* by Gordon Korman  
*A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeleine L'Engle  
*The Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burnett

### **Favorite Authors**

Katherine Applegate	Andrew Clements
Kate DiCamillo	Judy Blume
Madeleine L'Engle	Sharon Creech
Sharon Draper	Gordon Korman
Mike Lupica	Sarah Pennypacker
Tim Green	Gary Paulsen

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### **Award Winning Books:**



**Caldecott Medal 2025: *Chooch Helped* by Andrea Rogers**

Given for the year's most distinguished picture book. For a complete list of winners:

<https://abqlibrary.org/caldecott/all>

**Newbery Medal 2025: *The First State of Being* by Erin Entrada Kelly**

Given for the year's most distinguished contribution to children's literature. For a complete list of past winners:

<https://abqlibrary.org/newbery/All>

**Volunteer State Book Award (VSBA) 2024-2025, Primary Division K-2:**

***We Don't Lose Our Class Goldfish* by Ryan T. Higgins**

This is a yearly student choice award for Tennessee. For a list of past winners:

<https://sites.google.com/view/volunteer-state-book-award/past-winners>

**Volunteer State Book Award (VSBA) 2024-2025, Intermediate Division 3-5:**

***Nugly* by M.C. Ross**

This is a yearly student choice award for Tennessee. For a list of past winners:

<https://sites.google.com/view/volunteer-state-book-award/past-winners>

### **Summer Reading Opportunities:**

Join the Knoxville Public Library for their summer reading program:

<https://www.knoxcountylibrary.org/summer-library-club>

### **Book Review Sites:**

Common Sense Media: <https://www.common Sense media.org/>

Redeemed Reader: <https://redeemedreader.com/>

Compass Book Ratings: <https://www.compassbookratings.com/>