

# Wall Intermediate School



## **Summer Reading 2023**

WIS Parents,

Wall Intermediate School is excited to announce our summer reading program for students entering sixth through eighth grades. It's time to seize the opportunity to relax on the beach and discover new worlds through the joy of reading. Students who read regularly over the summer return to school in September with an average one month gain in learning, evident by increased reading levels, stronger reading skills, and a growing knowledge of vocabulary. Unfortunately, students who do not engage in summer reading experience what is often known as the "summer slide," or a loss of learning during this time. At Wall Intermediate School, we have just the right ingredients for our students: **choice** and **challenge**.

#### **Choice:**

Students are encouraged to read as many books as possible this summer. Students may read **any** book of their choice this summer.

#### Challenge:

Students are challenged to complete a bookmark based on their summer reading. Incoming 6th graders will complete a bookmark using either the *Somebody-Wanted-But-So-Then* strategy for fictional stories or the *Fact Gather* strategy for informational texts. Incoming 7th and 8th graders will use *Notice & Note Signposts* in their texts (fiction and informational) to create a bookmark. Click here to access the 6th-8th digital bookmarks. Students who bring their completed bookmark to their WIS ELA class in September will earn a 100 as a bonus quiz grade. The participants will also be entered into a raffle to have a Chipotle or Playa Bowls lunch with Mr. Laughlin and Dr. Skinner. Winners will get to invite four friends to join them for lunch! One student from each grade level will be chosen. Students who read more than one book and complete additional bookmarks will get extra raffle entries.

### English 6. 7 & 8:

Summer reading is optional, but highly encouraged.

### English 7A & 8A:

Students entering English 7A and 8A are **required** to read one book of their choice this summer. Students will participate in a book discussion upon return to school and should be prepared to write a short constructed response on their summer reading book. This will count as a **quiz** grade. Students will receive a raffle ticket for every additional book they read this summer with a corresponding bookmark. They will also earn the 100 bonus quiz grade for the additional summer reading.

The Wall Intermediate School administrative team encourages parents and guardians to be actively involved in the summer reading selection process. If you have any questions regarding summer reading, please contact Dr. Tracy Skinner at <a href="mailto:tskinner@wallpublicschools.org">tskinner@wallpublicschools.org</a>.

**HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!** 

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