

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your incredible support of the library throughout the 2024–2025 school year! With your help, we celebrated a record-breaking number of library checkouts and an exceptionally successful book fair. What a fantastic testament to our vibrant and engaged school community!

As we head into summer, it's the perfect time to relax, recharge, and dive into a great book. We believe reading should be a joyful and meaningful part of every child's summer. Whether it's getting lost in imaginative stories, discovering new ideas, or appreciating the beauty of illustrated pages, reading opens a world of wonder, learning, and creativity.

At the Community School of Naples, we're committed to supporting your child's summer reading journey. In addition to their assigned grade-level reading, we encourage you to help your child choose a book—or a few—that sparks their interest and keeps the pages turning all summer long.

To make it easy, we've included a list of some of our favorite resources for finding fun, age-appropriate reads:

Association for Library Services for Children - Notable Children's Books - 2025

<http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/notalists/ncb>

Scholastic Acorn Books – <https://kids.scholastic.com/kids/books/acorn/>

Scholastic Branches Books - <https://www.scholastic.com/site/branches.html>

The 2025-2026 Florida Association for Media in Education Sunshine State Young Readers Award (SSYRA) lists:

JR - Age-appropriate for grades K-2

<https://www.floridamediaed.org/ssyra-jr.html>

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Recommended for Grades 3-5

<https://www.floridamediaed.org/ssyra.html>

Recommended for Grades 6-8

<https://www.floridamediaed.org/ssyra.html>

Teen Reads Grades 9-12

<https://www.floridamediaed.org/florida-teens-read.html>

Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) 2025 Best Fiction for Young Adults.

<https://www.ala.org/yalsa/best-fiction-young-adults>

As with all our suggested library-recommended reading, we encourage you to be part of the book selection process—after all, you know your child best and what will truly resonate with their interests and needs.

By working together, we can help nurture one of the greatest gifts we can give a child: a lifelong love of reading and the joy that comes with discovering new worlds through books.

Please be sure to also check out the Collier (<https://www.collierlibrary.org>) and Lee County public library (<https://www.leegov.com/library>) summer reading programs, “**Color Our World**” which will run June 1st – July 31st. Fun activities and prizes are offered through these programs for all that participate.

Wishing you all a healthy, safe summer full of good reading!!!

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