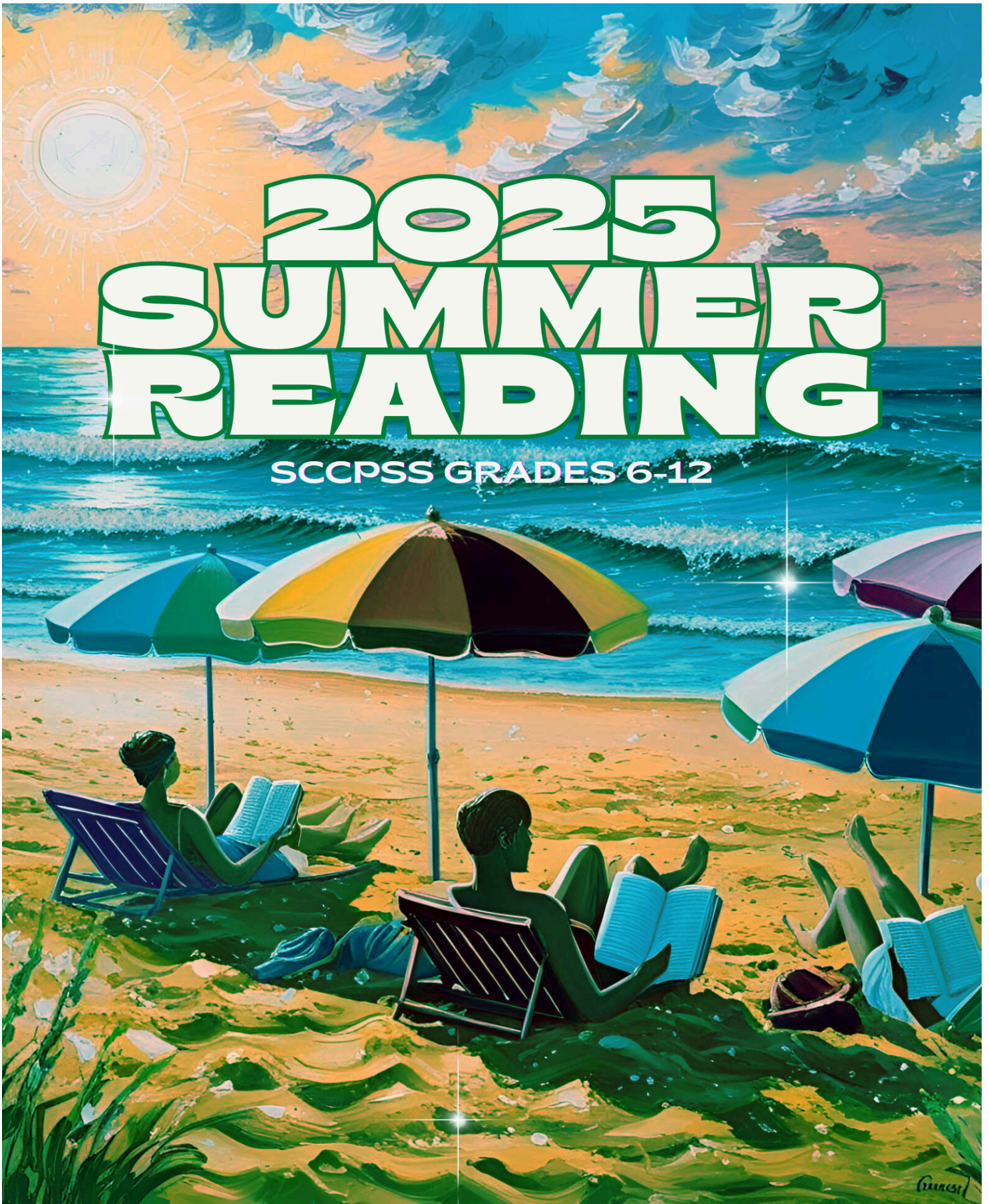


2025 SUMMER READING

SCCPSS GRADES 6-12





2025 SCCPSS Secondary 6-12 Summer Reading Program

Why Summer Reading?

While reading during summer vacation may not be a priority for most students, it is critical to a student's ability to not only retain information learned the previous year but also to grow in knowledge and literacy skills to prepare for the year ahead. Regular reading helps students to develop reading comprehension ability and improve vocabulary and grammar (Krashen, 2004). Reading can also help to nurture empathy (Laminack & Kelly, 2019) and strengthen content knowledge (ILA, 2018).

Reading over the summer is not a suggestion to keep kids busy; it is a critical component of helping students grow as readers and thinkers for their entire educational career and beyond. You can find more general summer reading resources and information at [Get Georgia Reading](#).

What Should I Read?

Students should read or listen to between 2-4 books over the summer. Ebooks, audiobooks, and graphic novels are all acceptable options for summer reading. Students should select books that interest them and that they will actually enjoy reading. Below are some recent titles that have been recommended by librarians and other educators. These are just recommendations, and always be sure to research a book before you read it to make sure that it's suitable and something that you'll be interested in.

Where Can I Find Good Books to Read?

[Here](#) is a list of recent award-winning or nominated books.

The best way to get good books is through [libraries](#). The Live Oak Public Library has a list of [recommended books](#) for teens.

[Live Oak Public Library's Student PLAY program](#): lets students use their student ID information as a library card. The library is also running the [Live Oak Public Libraries Summer Reading Challenge](#) where you can log your reading to potentially win a grand prize!



[Libby](#): public library app for reading ebooks and listening to audiobooks. If you sign up for the [Student PLAY](#) program, you can use that ID to access the library resources through Libby.

[READCamp](#): A free virtual training camp for summer reading.

How Will I Document My Reading?

You will craft a response for each of the books that you read. You will turn in these responses to your teacher when school starts in August.

For middle school students:

1. In one paragraph, summarize an important scene or turning point in the book. Be sure to include WHAT happens, WHO is involved, WHY it is important, and HOW it affects the events of the book.
2. Write a 1-2 paragraph personal response to the book. Use the following questions as a guide to write your response: What were your feelings and responses? Did it remind you of past experiences, people, or events in your life? Did it make you think of anything happening in the world around you or in other stories or books you have read?

For high school students:

1. In one paragraph, summarize an important scene or turning point in the book. Be sure to include WHAT happens, WHO is involved, WHY it is important, and HOW it affects the events of the book.
2. Write a 1-2 paragraph detailed explanation of what you learned from the book. What in the book was new or surprising? Did anything in the book give you a new perspective or deepen your understanding? If you think you didn't learn anything from the book, give a detailed explanation of why.



Middle School Summer Reading Requirements

Grades 6-8	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read/listen to at least 2 books • Complete a response for each book 	
NOTE: For STEM Academy students, see the summer reading assignment on the school website.	

High School Summer Reading Requirements

Grades 9-12			
9th	10th	11th	12th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read/listen to at least 2 books 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read/listen to at least 2 books 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read/listen to at least 3 books 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read/listen to at least 3 books
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete a response for each book 			
NOTE: For accelerated/Advanced Placement courses, please check with your school/teacher to see if there are any additional course-specific summer reading requirements			