



Clayton County Public Schools

Building A Better Tomorrow, Today!

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Clayton County Public Schools Champions Daily Reading with “Clayton Reads: Read Your Way to a Brighter Future” Summer Campaign

JONESBORO - Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is excited to launch its 2025 summer reading initiative: “Clayton Reads: Read Your Way to a Brighter Future.” This year’s focus centers around one powerful daily habit: reading at least 30 minutes every day.

As students head into the summer break, CCPS is reminding families that just 30 minutes of reading a day can make a world of difference. Research consistently shows that students who read regularly over the summer maintain—and often improve—their academic skills, while those who don’t risk falling behind.

“Developing strong readers begins with strong habits,” said Dr. Anthony W. Smith, Superintendent/CEO of Clayton County Public Schools. “By reading just 30 minutes a day, our students can sharpen their minds, expand their imaginations, and return to school in the fall ready to succeed. That’s how we build a better tomorrow, today - together.”

To support families in building this important daily routine, Summer Reading Lists for all grade levels are now available. These lists include high-interest, age-appropriate titles that can be accessed through the Clayton County Public Schools website or by scanning the QR code below.

In partnership with Clayton County Public Libraries, all books on the reading lists are available at local library branches or as eBooks and audiobooks—accessible with your Clayton County public library card. This partnership ensures that reading 30 minutes a day is not only encouraged but also easily achievable for all CCPS students.

Also, Parents, did you know? Every school in Clayton County has a Little Free Library on campus—an easy and convenient way for your child to access books this summer! These small, outdoor book boxes are filled with free books that students can take home, read, and enjoy—no library card or check-out required.

Students and families are encouraged to track their reading progress and share their 30-minute reading moments on social media using the hashtag #ClaytonReads. From picture books to chapter novels, every minute counts—and every book opens a new door. Use the Reading Challenge Log to track your reading for a special incentive when students return in August 2025.

So this summer, make it a habit. Make it a priority. Read 30 minutes a day—and read your way to a brighter future. Because in Clayton County, CLAYTON READS!

For more information, visit www.clayton.k12.ga.us. For tips for supporting at-home literacy, click the language option following. [English](#), [Spanish](#), [Vietnamese](#).



Clayton Reads This Summer!



Read 30 minutes everyday this summer!

Summer Reading Lists for all grades and reading challenges available at

tinyurl.com/clayton-reads-30

Books available at Clayton County Libraries.



eBooks and Audiobooks available with a Clayton County Library Card at



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About Clayton County Public Schools: Clayton County Public Schools (CCPS) is fully accredited by Cognia. The district offers a focused world-class program based on a challenging curriculum which is taught from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Serving over 50,000 students, Clayton County Public Schools is ranked among the 100 largest school districts in the U.S. and is the sixth-largest school system in Georgia.

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