

Memorial School Summer Reading Adventures

Dear Memorial Families,

Summer is around the corner! While we are all excited to kick back and relax, studies show that students lose on average about two months of reading skills over the summer months. *Therefore, Regional School District 13 is offering a new and exciting way to integrate reading throughout the summer!*

What we are doing: We would like to invite students to share their reading by participating in an online share. The app, **Seesaw**, will be used as a digital platform to share your summer reading with other students in your grade level. You can do this on a sandy beach or under a tree in the backyard, we all have places that we love to read our favorite books, explore something new, or spark curiosity. *The Seesaw app is a way to share the reading we are doing over the summer. However, you can choose to take/print a picture, make a drawing, write a letter, etc. to be shared with your classmates when you return to school instead of using Seesaw.*



When we are doing it: All summer long! Check out the calendar for a list of fun ideas to get you started! The activities on the calendar are only SUGGESTED items and are NOT mandatory. Dates are included on the calendar.





How to get Started:

1. Complete the grade level instructions on this paper.
2. Check out the calendar for ideas.
3. Share your reading!

Getting Started with Seesaw - Grade 4

Step 1

For classroom/home use only. Do **NOT** post this information on social media.

Download the Seesaw CLASS app to your phone or mobile device.



Important Note:

- You may already have the Seesaw FAMILY app downloaded. However, it is important to note that in order to share your Summer Adventures with other friends in your grade, you **MUST** download the Seesaw CLASS app.

Step 2 Email dmariani@rsd13.org or mfazzino@rsd13.org if you need the QR code.

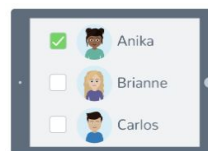
Open the Seesaw CLASS app on your phone or mobile device or go to <https://app.seesaw.me> on your computer (the initial visit to Seesaw must be done through a mobile device).

Choose "I'm a student" and scan the QR code for the grade you will be ENTERING in the fall.

To adhere to RSD 13 District Acceptable Use Policy and for the safety of our students, the QR codes are unique to our private groups and are NOT ALLOWED to be shared on social media or websites.

Pick your child's name from the list of students in the grade level.

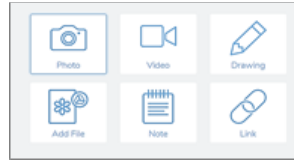
NOTE: You will only need to choose your child's name the first time you login.



Step 3

Instructions for posting items in the Seesaw Class app:

1. Click the  symbol to add a new item.
2. Choose the type file to be added (photo, video or note)



3. Click the check mark  once to review the item and then once again  to save.

4. Click the check mark  one final time to submit for teacher approval.

EVERY SINGLE item will be reviewed and approved by a teacher before it is posted to Seesaw.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

Deb Mariani, dmariani@rsd13.org or Maria Fazzino, mfazzino@rsd13.org

***The use of Seesaw is voluntary and is used for the purpose of sharing summer adventures, but is not mandatory.**

Summer Adventure Calendar

How many challenges can you complete this summer? Choose your favorite activity on the calendar and upload your pictures, videos or comments to your Seesaw Summer Page.

Remember to include a picture of you in your sunglasses in each photo.

June		
Week of June 17 Reading	Set a goal for how many books you want to read this summer. Check out the suggested reading books from the Governor's Summer Reading Challenge. Book Suggestions - grade 4	Head to the Durham Public Library or Levi Coe Library and sign up for their Summer Reading Program. Click the links to find out more and see what exciting programs each library is offering over the summer. Durham Library Levi Coe Library
Week of June 24th Community	Read in a fun spot, can you read outside, under a tree, or some place else interesting Check out the Full Moon Wildlife event at Levi Coe Full Moon Wildlife	Meet Mrs. Mariani and Mrs. Fazzino at the Durham Library on Tuesday evening, June 25th from 6pm-7pm to pick out a new summer reading book.

July		
Week of July 1st Act of Kindness	Read a patriotic book and learn more about our Independence Day. Click the link for a list of suggested titles. Patriotic Books	Read a book to a younger sibling, relative or friend.
Week of July 8th Exploring	Explore a new spot to read and send a picture of yourself with your sunglasses using your SeeSaw app	Register for the Science Explorers program at the Durham Public Library Science Explorers

Week of July 15th Adventures	Check out the new nutmeg nominees for 2019. Recommend one to a friend. Nutmeg Nominees 2019	Try a new activity and write about your experience. Share it with a friend. Read with Major a therapy dog at Levi Coe Library. Click the link to register Read with Major
Week of July 22nd STEM	Try one of these amazing online STEM activities STEM Activity	Register for the ScienceTellers: Aliens Escape from Earth at the Durham Public Library Science Tellers
Week of July 29th ART	Register for Lemonade and Crafts at the Durham Public Library Lemonade and Crafts	Design a book cover for your favorite book

August		
Week of August 5th Math	Integrate math into your summer learning fun with these awesome activities Summer Math Activities	Meet Mrs. Mariani and Mrs. Fazzino at the Levi Coe Library on Tuesday evening, August 6th from 6pm-7pm to pick out a new summer reading book.
Week of August 12th Your Choice	Read with a friend - Ask a friend for a book recommendation	Watch the movie / Read the book Compare - Which is better? The movie or the book? Why?
Week of August 19th Getting Ready for Memorial !!	Did you reach your goal for the number of books you wanted to read this summer?	Complete the Governor's Summer Reading Challenge log and bring it to Memorial School on you on the first day. Governor's Reading challenge

Wow! What a summer! Don't forget to share your learning with your grade on Seesaw.