

Dolphin Reading Olympics!



Why summer reading?

To keep our Dolphin brains strong over the summer, students will participate in a program that encourages reading over the break. Independent reading is an essential habit that develops critical-thinking skills and has been proven to increase student achievement in all content areas. Independent reading is essential.

What do I have to do?

Summer reading will be run through the Accelerated Reader (AR) program. While students are free to choose any books within AR, they are encouraged to make selections within their individual ZPDs. If students are new to Wiseburn and are not aware of their ZPD, they should choose books that are fun, engaging, and don't have too many unfamiliar words on each page.

What books do I read?

- Students are free to choose any books from within the AR system; this includes the large majority of published books. To verify whether a book is in the system, visit www.arbookfind.com.
- To check books are age-appropriate, Dana English department recommends <u>commonsensemedia.org</u>
- For some high-interest titles, students can click here: <u>Dolphin Reading Olympics Recommended Book List</u>

To fulfill the <u>basic requirement</u> of the summer reading assignment **all students must earn 10 AR points**. On arbookfind.com, point values are listed after each book title. The point values listed are based on a student earning a 100% score on the book quiz for that title. **Note:** Completing the summer reading requirement will be counted as an English grade in September.

Students who go above and beyond the 10-point requirement can reach higher achievement levels. There will be incentives given at the beginning of the school year for students achieving silver and gold status.



How will I demonstrate that I have completed my reading?

Students will demonstrate comprehension of their chosen books by taking quizzes in the AR system. Students will have the opportunity to take their AR quizzes from home over the summer (students are not allowed to test from home after the school year starts). The AR system will be open for testing during two optional days during the summer as well as at school the first two weeks of the fall semester.

Optional ONLINE Summer Testing Dates

Wednesday, JULY 13TH
Wednesday, AUGUST 17TH
First Two Weeks of School - Fall 2022