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Dear Parents of and/or Guardians:

As the school year comes to an end, we begin to look towards the warm relaxing days of summer. As a district, we want to encourage you to provide your children with opportunities for continued academic growth and development. Research tells us that children who read often are more likely to become *good* readers. *Good* readers are often more successful in school and beyond.

The Elizabeth Public Schools has compiled a Summer Reading List that includes grade/age appropriate, well written, interesting books selected to engage and entertain our young readers. It is our hope that the books on our recommended list encourage the life-long love of reading. A copy of our district's summer reading list on our district website www.epsnj.org. The books on our list can be found in the Elizabeth Public Library, as well as in local bookstores.

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Online resources to get your child excited about reading:

[International Literacy Association](http://www.literacyworldwide.org/get-resources) (<http://www.literacyworldwide.org/get-resources>)

The International Literacy Association has included reading lists and resources to use with readers.

[Reading Rockets: Launching Young Readers](http://www.readingrockets.org/calendar/summer) (www.readingrockets.org/calendar/summer)

Tips to help young readers, as well as interviews with authors and extensive reading lists.

Sincerely,

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