

Summer Reading... Summer Fun

The simplest way to ensure that our children become literate is to teach them to read. Let's show them that reading is a pleasurable activity by providing access to books they enjoy.

"Reading should not be presented to children as a chore or duty. It should be offered to them as a precious gift."

— Kate DiCamillo



Students who read everyday... are better spellers and better writers. They score higher on standardized tests and possess greater knowledge. Help your child develop a love for reading!

Reading recommendations are available on the Berryessa Union School District website at:

www.berryessa.k12.ca.us

Click on *Our District*, then *Library*.

Avoid the Summer Slide

When students do not engage in educational activities during the summer learning can be lost, which is known as the "summer slide". It is a fact that reading helps students maintain academic skills. Therefore, we encourage you to set a reading goal with your child of at least 20 minutes per day. Our local public libraries have many wonderful books to explore and offer a summer reading program.

San Jose Public Library Locations:

Educational Park Branch
1772 Educational Park Dr.
1 (408) 808-3073



Berryessa Branch
3355 Noble Ave
1 (408) 808-3050

Alum Rock Branch
3090 Alum Rock Ave.
1 (408) 808-3090

Check the San Jose Public Library website for hours.

Don't forget that you can also borrow books for your E-Reader from your local public library as well!

www.sjpl.org

Reading aloud builds a child's "want" to read.

READ ALoud TO A CHILD TODAY

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Where your child spends the most time annually

7800 hrs.
Home

900 hrs.
School

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Which teacher has the biggest influence?

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Interest in reading a book outside of school

Kindergarten:		100%
4th Grade:		54%
8th Grade:		30%
12th Grade:		19%

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What changed in 4th grade?
Parents stopped reading to their kids.

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Too much time Spent with Screen Media is Associated with:

Childhood Obesity

Sleep Disturbances

Attention Span Issues

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Children who have **100** pieces of printed material in their homes have higher reading scores than those with less.

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THE THREE B's:

The three best places to keep a box of books for your children to read:

Bed

Bathroom

Breakfast table

1,500+ children's books available through Usborne Books & More.

www.UsborneUSA.com Nancy Ann Wartman

Information from The Read-Aloud Handbook by Jim Trelease