

## Dear Parents:

Summertime is a fun and exciting time for students filled with outdoor activities and sports, however, each year some students fall behind other classmates from summer reading loss. Oftentimes, families get too busy and forget to include reading into their busy schedules.

Parent involvement as well as children choosing their own reading materials is an important factor in motivating readers and maintaining reading gains during the summer months.

What Can You Do to Help?

- •Have your child participate in Harding Summer Reading and hand in the attached.
- •Take your child to the public library to check out books.
- •Read with your child daily.
- •Remove distractions that compete with your child reading daily. Set a time and place for your child to read.
- •Encourage your child to read at least 15-30 minutes every day and to keep track on the log of that accomplishment.
- •Ask your child questions about what he/she is reading.
- •Participate in the Lindenhurst Public Library's Summer Reading Program.

Students that participate in summer reading and hand in their log will be invited to a Harding book celebration in September. Students will share their favorite books with friends and receive a certificate.

Please fill out the attached and join the Harding Reading and Math Google Classroom to participate in Harding Summer Reading. Parents and students will be able to receive updates and materials with access to it. The Google classroom code is m×2jm2n.

Your child's name will be displayed on the hallway bulletin board by the AP room when the information is returned to the classroom teacher. In June, your child will receive a Harding Summer Reading bag with some new books as well as a log and templates for book commercials to complete for the September book celebration.

Enjoy your summer!

Brian Chamberlin Principal

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## Create 6 Book Commercials!

Book commercials are a great way to share your favorite reads while influencing others to read it too.

How to complete a book commercial?

## •<u>Commercials can be created by hand or digitally.</u>

•Use the template attached or use plain paper and make 4 squares. Templates are also attached in google classroom.

•Commercials <u>can</u> include the following:

- 1. Box 1 Write a hook sentence(s).
- 2. Box 2 Exciting event or fact.
- 3. Box 3 Explain why others should read this book.

4. Box 4 - Draw a picture or insert a picture (if you are completing your commercial digitally).

If you would like to use different categories in your commercial, you can! You can include pictures of the setting, problem, characters, fun facts, theme, figurative language, etc. You can decide what will make your book commercial the most interesting.

Be creative and make commercials colorful. Book commercials will be displayed throughout the building. If a student is reading a long chapter book, he/she can create a book commercial for every 100 pages.



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