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Dear Families,

Another school year has come and gone, and your child has grown in knowledge and skills. In order to foster that growth over the next few months, we are again instituting the Elementary Summer Reading Program at the Steere Farm Elementary and W. L. Callahan Schools.

All elementary school students are required to read **at least two** books this summer. One must be chosen from the attached list, and the other may be any book of your child's choice (although it may also come from the list!)

All forms may also be accessed on the **BSD website** -

<http://www.bsd-ri.net/aboutus.htm>

In addition, students are expected to complete **one** follow-up activity for **each** book. Activities should be completed on the attached forms and signed by a parent or guardian. These forms **MUST** be returned to your child's teacher within the first week of school in September, and **they will count as two language arts grades for the new school year**. They will also be used as part of a project to be completed in library classes.

Summer vacation is the perfect opportunity to relax and enjoy reading just for fun! It is also a chance for families to develop habits that will lead to a lifelong love of reading. The attached suggestions from the International Reading Association may be helpful in making the most of your reading this summer.

We look forward to hearing all about your reading experiences in the fall. Have a happy, healthy, book-filled summer!

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