Students entering First and Second Grade this fall should read 3 books that are on the Suggested Reading List or other books designated for Beginning Readers. (See www.sccpss.com for links to book lists)

Students entering Third Grade through Eighth Grade this fall should read 3 books that fall within their Lexile range, from 100 points below to 50 points above their Lexile score. The Lexile score is found on the Scholastic Reading Inventory (SRI) report, which was sent home to parents.

Students are strongly encouraged to read at least one piece of informational (non-fiction) text over the summer. The Common Core Standards recently adopted by Georgia place a much stronger emphasis on informational text as it is more present in college and career reading.

Summer Reading for kindergarten students is recommended but not required. No grades will be given to kindergarten students.

***Students are encouraged to find books that interest them, however, some suggestions are posted on the Savannah-Chatham County Public School System website (www.sccpss.com)

***Parents are encouraged to read aloud to their children.

**Assignment:**
All students will create a writing response for each book read. Students may choose from the options below.

- Compare and contrast a character from the book with yourself.
- List 5 of the main characters from the book you read and give 3 examples of what each character learned or did not learn in the book.
- Write a letter to a friend about your book. Explain why you liked or did not like the book
- Make a timeline of the major events in the book you read.
- Describe the setting of the book. Then describe how the story would have been different if it was set in a different time or place.
- Rewrite the ending of the book.
- Summarize the main ideas of the book.
- Use a graphic organizer to present the information from the book.
- Describe three interesting things you have learned from the book and two questions you still have.
- Describe your favorite part of the book

**Students entering first or second grade may use illustrations as their written response.

**The Summer Reading Assignment will be counted as three homework grades (each assignment is one grade) and will be due on August 15, 2014.
What is a Lexile?
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- Lexiles can range from approximately 100 to 2000.
- Lexiles rate the text complexity of a book.
- A student’s Lexile is the level of text that a student can read with 75% comprehension.

Where can I find this score?

- Students in Second through Eighth Grade have taken the Scholastic Reading Inventory, resulting in a Lexile score. A report from this assessment (containing your child’s Lexile score) has been sent home to parents.

Which book should my child read?

- Choose books with a Lexile from 100 below to 50 above your child’s score. For example, if my second grader reads at 330L, he should pick a book with a Lexile range of 230L-380L.
- If your child’s Lexile score exceeds that of the grade level Lexile band, then he or she should read texts either within his or her Lexile range, or within the appropriate Grade Level Lexile Band as outlined below. A Lexile measure is a good starting point for selecting books, but should never be the only factor.

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Where can I find appropriate books?

- The official Lexile website is an amazing resource for finding appropriate summer reading material (for free!).
- To use this resource go to [www.lexile.com](http://www.lexile.com) and follow these steps.
  - Type your child’s Lexile score in the appropriate box
  - Next, you will be able to check various categories about which your child may wish to read. When finished, click Submit.
  - Now you will be presented with a list of books that are in your child’s areas of interest and within his or her Lexile range.
  - Selecting the “WorldCat” option under the “Find It” menu will allow you to see if that book is available in the Live Oak Public Libraries. If the library does carry that book, you can request a hold online. You can also request the book be sent to your local library branch.