

Dear Family,

Reading is an important part of everyday life. Just because it's summer, students shouldn't put their books away! Brockton Public Schools invite you and your family to participate in our Summer Reading Program. This year's theme is "Don't Stop Reading."

The importance of summer reading cannot be over emphasized. Educational researchers note that some children's reading levels dropped as much as two grades when students did not read regularly over the summer months. It's really simple: the more students read, the better readers they become. Though only one book is required for summer reading, we hope that your child reads many more. Your support is a critical part of the Summer Reading Program.

Students entering grades Pre-K and Kindergarten are required to read at least **one** book from the Massachusetts Curriculum Framework Recommended Authors List, the Optional Titles List or students may also choose to read a book of their choice. As a parent or guardian, you may choose a book to be read together.

Students will list books they have read on the Reading Log and complete a Reading Response Form for any one book. Extra forms will be available at all branches of the Brockton Public Library and on the Brockton Public Schools' website: [www.bpsma.org](http://www.bpsma.org)

In September, students will have conversations centering on their summer reading. Students will return Reading Logs and Reading Response forms to school and participate in school celebrations planned at each building.

We hope you and your family "don't stop reading" this summer and reap all of the wonderful benefits that reading has to offer.

Sincerely,

Matthew H. Malone Ph.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

## Brockton Public Library Summer Schedule

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL  
LIBRARY FOR SUMMER HOURS OF  
OPERATION OR CHECK ONLINE AT

[www.brocktonpubliclibrary.org](http://www.brocktonpubliclibrary.org)

Main Library  
304 Main Street  
508.580.7890

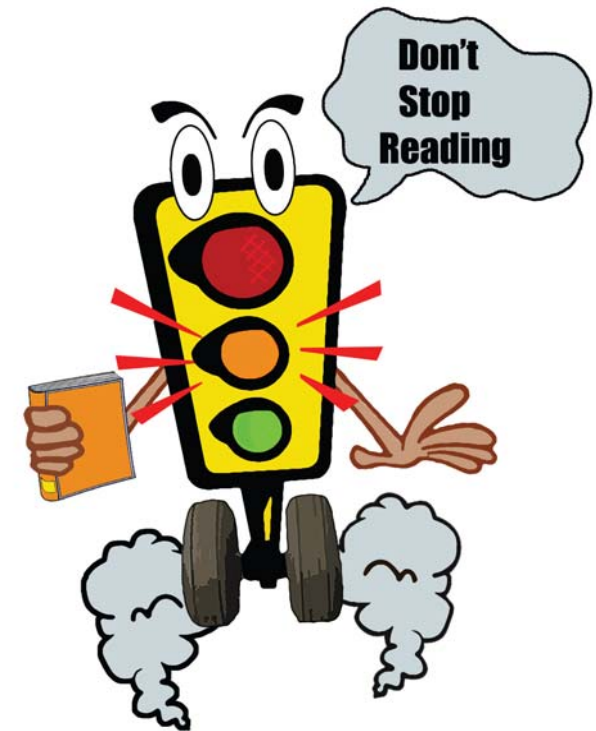
East Branch  
54 Kingman Street  
508.580.7892

West Branch  
540 Forest Avenue  
508.580.7894

## Brockton Public Schools Summer Reading Program

*"Don't Stop Reading"*

2010



**Program Guide for  
Students Entering  
Pre-Kindergarten  
and Kindergarten**

# BOOKS FOR STUDENTS ENTERING PRE-K AND KINDERGARTEN SUMMER VACATION READING 2010

## ABC

*A My Name is Alice* Jane Bayer  
*ABC, I Like Me!* Nancy Carlson  
*Afro Bets* Cheryl Willis Hudson  
*ANTics!:An alphabetical anthology*  
 Catherine Hepworth  
*The Z Was Zapped* Chris Van Allsburg

## Colors

*Is It Red? Is It Yellow? Is It Blue?* Tana Hoban  
*Mary Wore Her Red Dress...* Merle Peek  
*Mouse Paint* Ellen Stoll Walsh  
*Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf* Lois Ehlert  
*Who Said Red?* Mary Serfozo

## Counting

*Arctic Fives Arrive* Elinor J. Pinczes  
*Five Little Monkeys* Eileen Christelow  
*One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish*  
 Dr. Seuss  
*One Hungry Monster* Susan Heyboer O'Keefe  
*Ten Black Dots* Donald Crews

## Fables/Fairy Tales

*Aesop's Fables* Lisbeth Zwerger  
*Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain*  
 Verna Aardema  
*I Know an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly*  
 G. Brian Karas  
*Seven Blind Mice* Ed Young  
*Stone Soup* Marcia Brown

## Families

*A Chair for My Mother* Vera B. Williams  
*Just Grandma and Me* Mercer Mayer  
*Love You Forever* Robert N. Munsch  
*Mama, Do You Love Me?* Barbara Joose

## Multicultural

*Bright Eyes, Brown Skin* Cheryl Willis Hudson  
*Hats, Hats, Hats* Ann Morris  
*Knots on a Counting Rope* Bill Martin  
*Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters* John Steptoe  
*Two Eyes, A Nose And A Mouth* Roberta Intrater

## Nursery Rhymes

*Babushka's Mother Goose* Patricia Polacco  
*Chinese Mother Goose* Robert Wyndham  
*Eensy-Weensy Spider* Mary Ann Hoberman  
*A Child's Treasury of Nursery Rhymes*  
 Kady MacDonald-Denton

## Rhyme

*The Cat in the Hat* Dr. Seuss  
*Down By the Bay* Raffi  
*Each Peach, Pear, Plum* Janet Ahlberg  
*Eek! There's a Mouse in the House*  
 Wong Herbert Yee

## School

*All Ready for School* Leone Adelson  
*My First Days of School* Jane Hamilton-Merritt  
*School Bus* Donald Crews  
*Timothy Goes to School* Rosemary Wells  
*Who's Going to Take Care of Me?*  
 Michelle Magorian

## Science

*A House for a Hermit Crab* Eric Carle  
*Weather Words* Gail Gibbons  
*Digging Up Dinosaurs* Alik  
*Pumpkin, Pumpkin* Jeanne Titherington  
*How Is a Crayon Made?* Osbert A. Charles  
*Over in the Meadow* John M. Langstaff

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*Chicka Chicka Boom Boom* Bill Martin Jr.  
*Cowboys* Glen Rounds  
*The Little Engine That Could* Watty Piper  
*Marsupial Sue* John Lithgow  
*The Story of Johnny Appleseed* Alik  
*Where the Wild Things Are* Maurice Sendak

## I Can Read Books-Level 1 PreK-Grade One

*Danny and the Dinosaur* Syd Hoff  
*Little Bear* Elsa Minarik  
*Morris Goes to School* Bernard Wiseman  
*No More Monsters for Me!* Peggy Parish  
*Ready, Set, Go!* John Stadler

## Massachusetts Curriculum Framework Recommended Picture Book Authors & Illustrators

Edward Ardizzone Jan Brett  
 Margaret Wise Brown Eve Bunting  
 Virginia Lee Burton Eric Carle  
 Donald Crews Tomie DePaola  
 Gail Gibbons Tana Hoban  
 Ezra Jack Keats Arnold Lobel  
 Bill Martin Jr. Jack Prelutsky  
 Maurice Sendak John Steptoe  
 Chris VanAllsburg Judith Viorst  
 Rosemary Wells Vera B. William



