

Rhein Benninghoven Summer Learning Program 2019

As in years past, Benninghoven is again undertaking a summer learning program to help keep our kids' skills sharp and avoid the "summer slide". Studies show that kids who read over the summer maintain the reading skills developed during the school year. Further, math proficiency is particularly susceptible to the summer slide, with students losing "about two months of grade level equivalency in mathematical computation skills over the summer months".

This year we are using a summer reading checklist challenge for the student's reading minutes. We are trying out a new website, Khan Academy, for our STEM learning!

Program Learning Goals

Grade in Fall, 2019	READING	STEM
K-2	15 minutes/day, 5x/week	15 minutes/day, 5x/week
3-6	25 minutes/day, 5x/week	15 minutes/day, 5x/week
How to Log:	Once you've read your minutes, check off the option on the challenge sheet.	Use the Khan Academy website to log in and complete lessons/challenges. Have your parent initial each day completed on the sheet provided.

Reading

Make reading a big part of your family's summer fun! All reading time counts, even when someone is reading to them. But, students should try to challenge themselves! Encourage reading throughout the summer with library visits, story time at home, and conversations about books. Let your child see you reading.

STEM

There are many ways you can help your child practice STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) over the summer! Make sure you go to www.KhanAcademy.org and sign up your child. Khan Academy has interactive challenges and assessments, as well as thousands of practice questions for students to complete. Students earn badges along the way and can use them in a game form fashion. It is appropriate for all age groups and provides performance summaries for all work completed. Sign up is FREE!

Party!

Students who successfully complete the learning goals and turn in their logs to their teachers at the beginning of the 2019-2020 school year will be invited to the Summer Learning Celebration when we come back to school!

Questions?

Any questions about the program or learning goals should be directed to your child's classroom teacher or the office. For assistance over the summer with any questions, please contact Courtney Bukovaz at cbukovaz@gmail.com. Thank you and happy learning!!