

Dear Future Student,

This summer we plan to take the [Reading Without Walls Challenge](#) and invite you to join us. The challenge has four components:

1. Read a book about a character who doesn't look like you or live like you.
2. Read a book about a topic you don't know much about.
3. Read a book in a format you don't normally read for fun (chapter book, graphic novel, book in verse or an audio book).
4. Challenge someone else to complete the challenge.



After reading, select a way to share your thoughts about the books you read: an essay, a presentation, an illustration, or some other really cool way to get your main points across. Be prepared to share about your reading when you return to school in the fall. We want to learn about the books you chose and what they meant to you.

Summer reading is optional, but really important. Kids who don't read during summer vacation lose two to three months of reading achievement. Middle school students who read five to six books over the summer typically don't suffer from that summer reading loss.

Students completing the [Reading Without Walls Challenge](#) will celebrate in style when school resumes.

Let's expand our reading horizons, together.

Enjoy!

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