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Dear Middle School Students, Parents and Guardians,

Summer is a great opportunity for your student to continue reading and to catch up on the reading that he/she did not have time for during the school year. Research shows that students typically lose the equivalent of one month of knowledge over the summer. We do not want that to happen! Thus, we have created a Summer Reading Program to motivate every student enrolled at Hawthorn Middle Schools to read over the summer. The purpose of this year's Summer Reading Program is to encourage our students to want to read. We feel that allowing students to choose what they read will increase their enjoyment and foster life-long readers.

Students may read books of their choice over the summer and log what they have read in the attached Summer Reading Log. The Summer Reading Log must be turned in to the student's Language Arts teacher on the first day of school: **August 24, 2016**, so the student can participate in the school-wide Celebration of Reading. Students will record the titles and authors of the books they choose on the Summer Reading Log as well as sign the bottom of the log as confirmation that they read the books listed. Parents/Guardians must sign the form in order to confirm that the student has read the books listed as well. If your student reads more books than the attached log can accommodate, please feel free to make a copy of the log or stop by either middle school office to pick up another log over the summer.

Local libraries have also been notified of our summer reading program. In addition, our school district's website will also have a link regarding summer reading information.

Most importantly, help your student enjoy a book this summer! Enjoy reading it on the family road trip, soaring high on an airplane, relaxing in the local park or just cuddled up together on your own couch. But wherever your student reads, do not wait until the last week for your student to start!

Thank you,

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Inspire all students to embrace learning in an ever-changing world.