

Dear Kindergarten Parents,

Below is a list of activities your child can do to help get them ready and excited for their Kindergarten experience at L.E. Academy. There are 12 tasks in the grid below that your child will work on, some of which may require your assistance. As your child completes a task, have them color in the box in any color they choose, and then attach any written work to this sheet upon completion.

You were your child's first teacher and will always be their most important teacher. How you respond to their academic attempts and achievements will help set the tone for their school days. There is no right or wrong way to work on this project. This is meant to be fun and to help get them excited for school. Our goal right now is to use their energy, curiosity, and love of learning.

Please have your child return this chart to his/her teacher on the first day of school.

Enjoy your summer!

Sincerely,

The L.E. Academy Staff



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NAME: _____

Watch an insect. Draw a picture of it.	Count the number of toes in your family.	Ask a grown up to walk 100 steps with you. Count out loud while you walk.
Write your numbers from 1-20.	Draw a picture of your family. Label all the members of your family.	Draw a picture of your favorite toy.
Try to hop on one foot 5 times. Then try the other foot.	Make up a new dance. Watch yourself in the mirror or ask someone to watch you.	Write each letter of the alphabet. *(Challenge: write all the capital and lower case letters.)
Write your name on the back of this paper. Remember to write the first letter upper case and the rest lower case.	Clean your room. Clean under your bed, too!	In a magazine or newspaper, circle 10 letters, words, or numbers you know.

SUMMER READING ROAD TRIP

Below you will find FUN suggestions to help your child continue to build upon his or her reading skills throughout the summer

1	Visit the Scholastic book site where students can log reading hours to win digital prizes and help set a new world record for summer reading. Scholastic.com/summer
2	Visit your local libraries to sign up for summer reading programs.
3	Open the magic daily with a picture book!
4	Create a list of 10 places your student would like to read this summer. Visit those 10 special places.
5	Traveling this summer? Trips can be a fun way to encourage reading. Ask your children to read traffic signs and billboards aloud. Show them how to read a map, and once you're on the road, let them take turns being the navigator.
6	Read aloud together with your child every day. Make it fun by reading outdoors - on the front steps, patio, at the beach or park. Also, let your children read to you.
7	Let kids choose what they want to read, and every so often, read the same book your child is reading and discuss it.
8	Play word games while in the car. Example: "A" stands for apple, or "C" stands for carnival. Tell a story by each person adding on to what the other person said.
9	When watching a movie, ask the child a question about the plot. Have them respond with evidence from the picture.
10	Start a book club with your child's friends. Each week a different parent can host.
11	Create a writing journal of your favorite summer activities.
12	Use picture books to help your child practice reading skills. Examples: Cause and Effect, Point of View, Compare and Contrast, Inference, Summarize
13	Let your child help cook by reading the recipe card.
14	Read books from different genres and keep a running total to see how many different genres of books you can read during the summer.

SOME SUGGESTED SUMMER READING TITLES (AGES 6-9)

(Source: ReadingRockets.org)

100 Bugs! A Counting Book by Kate Narita

Baby Monkey, Private Eye by Brian Selznick and David Serlin

A Big Day for Baseball (Magic Tree House #29) by Mary Pope Osborne

Bowhead Whale by Joanasie Karpik

Every Month Is a New Year by Marilyn Singer

The Funniest Man in Baseball: The True Story of Max Patkin by Audrey Vernick

The Garden by Gwendolyn Hooks

The Golden Thread: A Song for Pete Seeger by Colin Meloy

Hello Lighthouse by Sophie Blackall

Hidden Figures: The True Story of Four Black Women and the Space Race by Margot Lee Shetterly with Winifred Conklin

If the S in Moose Comes Loose by Peter Hermann

Jasmine Toguchi, Drummer Girl by Debbi Michiko Florence

Joan Procter, Dragon Doctor by Patricia Valdez

Let's Investigate with Nate: Dinosaurs by Nate Ball

Life in the Amazon Rainforest by Ginjer Clarke

Lucky Enough by Fred Bowen

Peter and Ernesto: A Tale of Two Sloths by Graham Annable

Snails Are Just My Speed! by Kevin McCloskey

The Truth about Hippos by Maxwell Eaton III

With My Hands: Poems about Making Things by Amy Ludwig VanDerwater

The Word Collector by Peter Reynolds