

2020 Irwin Summer Splash Reading Program

We are so excited to continue Irwin's Summer Splash Reading Program! Summer is a time for all students to relax and recharge, but studies have shown that students who don't read and reinforce skills during summer months experience a regression in assessment scores from Spring to Fall known as the *Summer Slide*. Let's keep on track and off the "summer slide" with *Summer Splash*. The program is also a *fundraiser*. Your hourly pledges and straight donations will help support our school by providing needed learning resources for our students.

Please keep this fun for your student. Allow him/her to choose books he/she will enjoy and will want to read. Do not be overly concerned about the reading level of the book they choose. Instead make sure you are fostering a love for reading. **Contact Susan Hooper for questions**; susan.hooper@cms.k12.nc.us.

- First, talk to your student about the Summer Splash Program. Let them list a few books they would like to read over the summer. Let him/her know you are encouraging them so they will continue to grow in reading over the summer. Don't underestimate the importance of YOU reading aloud to your child. Studies show that students whose parents read to them throughout their school years perform better academically than those whose parents do not read to them.
- Second, speak to your family, friends, coworkers and companies about pledging support for your child's reading. Record pledges and straight donations on the attached form. (Donations are tax deductible since the PTA is a 501c3.)
- Next, locate your child's *Reading Tracker* or print a copy at home. Links to the pdf can be found
 on the Irwin PTA Facebook page and on our website, irwinpta.org. Start tracking your student's
 reading! Whenever your child reads a book, magazine, etc. you can log reading time. Log any time
 you read to them, as well. They can begin tracking reading minutes on June 10. . Stop logging by
 midnight on Sunday, August 16, 2020.
- Finally, Please submit all parent signed Reading Trackers and pledge forms on the first day of school, August 17, 2020. No data trackers will be considered eligible for prizes if not turned in by noon on Friday, August 21, 2020. Please have all money turned in by September 4. Checks may be made to "Irwin PTA."
- Time to reward hard work on *Celebration Week*. The dates and prizes will be determined at a later date due to the uncertainty of the opening of school. All students will participate in a fun-filled event to wrap up Summer Splash. Students who turned in parent signed Reading Trackers will be eligible for prizes based on hours read if all forms are turned in by noon August 21, 2020. Students will not be eligible for prizes if forms are turned in after Aug. 21 at noon.

I.A.C Summer Splash Pledge and Collection Form 2020

Save and return this form to the school on August 17, 2020

Student Name	
Phone	
Parent Name	
2020/2021 Teacher	
Grade	
Cotal Hours of Summer Reading	

Name	Pledge per Hour	Straight Donation	Amount Collected
	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$
GRAND TOTAL			

All money is due by September 4, 2020