


2021-2022 BCS 5/6 Team Summer Packet

Dear Fifth and Sixth Graders,

As the 2020-21 school year comes to an end, the 5/6 teachers would like to wish to congratulate you all for making it through a tough year. We have done hybrid, remote and face to face learning and we made it through together!

The 5/6 teachers wish you all a safe and happy summer and hope you can take a step away from computer screens for a while. We would also like to see you exercise your brain while enjoying fun in the sun. This summer packet will enrich your vacation and help you to prepare for your upcoming classes this fall.

BCS Interdisciplinary Themes and Essential Questions Cycle I



INDEPENDENCE

What forces in society, and the world, encourage independence? What forces operate against it, undermine it?

Is anything ever truly independent? What would happen if living things were completely independent?

How is the concept and understanding of independence used to improve our world? Has it been used to harm the earth?

POSITIVE ATTITUDE	RESPECT/ KINDNESS	HONESTY/ INTEGRITY	RESPONSIBILITY/ ACCOUNTABILITY
<ul style="list-style-type: none">AdaptabilityOptimismCourage	<ul style="list-style-type: none">CaringLoyalty	<ul style="list-style-type: none">TrustworthinessJusticeTruthfulness	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Personal BestInitiativeSelf-controlPatriotism

Please read the directions very carefully and be prepared to present your final projects when we return in the fall. However, please do not bring your projects on the first day of school. Bring only your writing tools and your school supplies. During the first week back, you will receive instructions from your teachers regarding turning in your summer packet work.

This packet includes three **required** activities: an independent reading reflection, summer math review and a favorite summer memory. There are also optional assignments for those of you with extra time on your hands this summer. Details of these assignments are given in the following pages.

Please read the directions carefully and we look forward to seeing you in the fall refreshed and ready to learn!



Independent Reading (Required)

Stories can be told in many ways through books, articles, movies, podcasts and movies to name just a few. We have put together fun activities and reading suggestions for you to explore a universe of stories this summer. You are **required** to complete the one activity written inside the star and we invite you to explore some of the other choices on the choice board below. Cross off each activity as you do it, can you do them all?

Read under a tree	<u>Read a Graphic Novel</u>	Design an animal habitat	Read the same book as a friend	Write a movie pitch for you favorite book
Read a book with animal characters	WRITE A LETTER TO YOUR FAVORITE AUTHOR	Read a biography  Go and visit a zoo	Watch the movie version of a book you read	Read a Mystery Book
<u>Play some board games</u>	Listen to a Podcast		<u>Check out animal webcams from around the world</u>	Visit a public, state or national park
Read a newspaper or a magazine	"Out of This World" Baldwin Library Writing Contest	Perform your own skit for an audience	<u>Read a book about environmental challenges</u>	<u>Read a book set in another time period</u>

The 5/6 theme for the next school year is INDEPENDENCE.

What does it mean to be independent?

As you read this summer, do you notice any characters demonstrating independence?

Think about what that means to be independent as a member of a family, as a member of a school community and as a member of a global community.

Math Review (Required)



The next few pages contain essential concepts from your previous year of math. They include Monday - Thursday questions with the Checkpoint intended for Friday. There are blank pages for you to use as scratch paper as needed. The pages will help keep your math skills sharp so you can return in the fall confident and ready to continue your math journey.

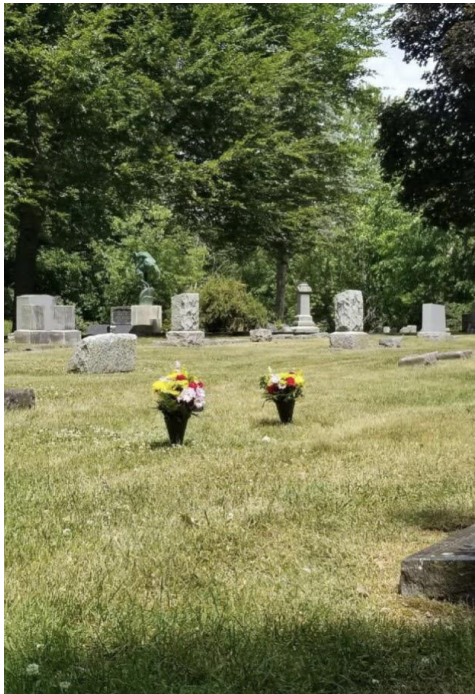
This booklet will be turned into your math teacher when you return in the fall. Please make sure that you complete your answers carefully and thoroughly.

History Detective

Studying history is like being a detective who gathers clues to solve mysteries. It's important for us to study the past, so that we can learn lessons that can help us make a better world today and in the future.

America is littered with clues that tell the story of our country's past. As you enjoy your summer, be on the lookout for clues that might tell us something interesting or exciting about the history of our country.

Whether you travel to the other side of the country or into downtown Birmingham, take a photograph of at least one clue you find. Tell us what the clue is, where you found it and what you think it tells us about America's past. What questions or wonderings do you have about it?



Example:

This is the George and Eliza Taylor Grave Monument at Greenwood Cemetery. The Taylors were formerly enslaved people who made their way to Birmingham in the late 1800s to become the first African-American property owners in town. They died in 1901 and 1902 and were buried in Greenwood Cemetery without a marker. This makes me wonder where the Taylor's came from and why they decided to settle in Birmingham. I wonder who places the flowers there and why they do it. I wonder what the other gravestones can tell about our past.



PTA NATIONAL REFLECTIONS ARTS PROGRAM

2021-2022 Theme is

I Will Change the World By...



Artists, photographers, dancers, composers, film makers and authors! Enter the PTA Reflections Art Program! This program offers all BCS students the opportunity to create works of art for fun and recognition. Reflect on the theme. Create an original work. Be recognized!

Reflect on the theme and submit an original work in any Category:

Visual Arts

Photography

Literature

Music Composition

Film Production

Dance Choreography

**Students may submit multiple entries, but only one per category*

Download Forms Below. Collection instructions to be announced.

[Entry Form](#) (*see michiganpta.org/reflections for category-specific official rules*)

[Consent Form](#) *For use of student's (or other persons) voice or image in artwork*

**Be sure to follow all entry guidelines and requirements carefully! Do not put your name directly on your artwork where the judges can see it.*

Join the 2023-2024 [Reflections Theme Search Contest](#)! The winning student will receive \$100 and recognition at the national PTA Awards Celebration.

See www.pta.org/reflections/awards for more information about awards and events.

The 2020-2021 BCS PTA Reflections results are in!!! Click [HERE](#) to see the complete list.

Questions? Please contact your BCS PTA Reflections Chairs or check out the BCS/PTA/Reflections webpage

5/6 Team Supply List

General items all students should have	
1 or 2 binders to house all of your work. Examples: A zipper binder with tabs and dividers for each subject An accordion folder with sections for each subject 3 ring binder with dividers with pockets	
1 pack of pencils 1 pack of red pens 1 pack of colored markers 1 pack of colored pencils 1 pair of scissors 1 glue stick 1 pencil sharpener 1 pack of scotch tape	2 100 page composition notebooks 1 pencil case 2 Boxes of tissues 4 100 page spiral notebooks 3 jumbo size book covers 1 pack of post it notes 4 Duotang folders
Items to be donated to the Homeroom	
1 pack of colored pencils 1 pack of colored markers 1 pair of scissors 2 packs of pencils 1 handheld pencil sharpener 1 ruler with inches and centimeters	1 pack of highlighters 3 - 6 glue sticks 2 boxes of tissues 1 bottle of hand sanitizer 1 wide ruled pack of notebook paper 2 boxes of wipes (not disinfectant cleaning ones)
7/8 math students only	
1 Scientific calculator	

We cannot require you to purchase any of the supplies listed above; however, we know that children in our community often like to purchase their own supplies. IF you need financial assistance for any of the items listed, please contact Dr. Hakim at 248 -203-4444. Your call will be kept confidential. Nan's Kids will provide the funding for these supplies if needed.

District Summer Learning Suggestions

This is a link to a district created presentation of more summer learning suggestions that are available free to our k-8 community. To open the link go to the online version of our summer packets on the BCS Website

<https://tinyurl.com/7yk7uufx>

Also check out the summer reading program offered at all local libraries.



BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY SUMMER READING 2021

TAILS & TALES

JUNE 11-AUGUST 8

BPL'S SUMMER READING PROGRAM includes fun virtual programs, crafts, and activities, while encouraging achievable reading goals for Youth, Teens and Adults. Visit baldwinlib.beanstack.org for full details and to register for the program or track your progress.