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Dear Caregivers:

We hope that you and your students are able to spend this summer playing outside, connecting with friends and family, creating, and recharging. In order to maintain your students' academic skills, we are asking that all incoming 6th, 7th, and 8th graders complete a modest amount of work this summer. This is not meant to be burdensome for students (or caregivers), but rather a way to keep their minds engaged in their learning throughout the summer.

There are two components to summer work that we would like all students to complete.

I. Literacy: Summer Reading

This year's summer reading list can be found here:

<https://sites.google.com/danvers.org/hrmssummerreading/home> or by accessing this QR code:



Students are asked to read **one book** from the 50+ options. All summer reading books will be available at the Peabody Institute Library and through [SORA](#).

This year's summer reading books were selected through the Massachusetts Teen Book Awards, the MCBA Booklist, and additional selections that fit into the category of texts with diverse characters. After students have read their chosen book, they should complete this brief [Google Form](#) (also available on the summer reading site linked above) so their teachers will know what book(s) they read over the summer.

II. Mathematics: Carnegie Learning MATHia

This summer, we would like students to complete a series of workspaces from MATHia, the online component of our Carnegie Learning mathematics curriculum. Students should plan to work at least one hour per week throughout the summer. This can not be completed in one or two sessions.

The summer MATHia workspaces will be available after July 19. Students should not try to access MATHia before that date.

In the fall, teachers will be able to see the work students completed this summer.

Directions for students:

For rising 7th and 8th graders: Login to your MATHia account the same way you have throughout this school year. You will see new modules available to you.

For rising 6th graders: In the spring, you should have joined the Google Classroom called "6th Grade Summer Math Work 2023." If you haven't joined yet, the class code is **bhn7non**. There are instructions and videos in Google Classroom to show you how to login and get started.

If caregivers or students have any questions about any of the summer work, please contact me. I wish all your families a safe and relaxing summer.

Best regards,

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