



## Entering Pre-K and Kindergarten Suggested Reading List

Summer reading is **not required** for students entering Pre-kindergarten and Kindergarten but is strongly encouraged. Please read with your child a minimum of 20 minutes each day to experience the joy of reading! Students may log their summer reading minutes on the paper calendar provided in the yellow summer folder. Add up your child's summer reading minutes from May 31 – August 25, 2025, and submit the total by Friday, August 29, 2025, in the link provided here: <https://forms.office.com/r/H3Ed66KhjW> For participating, students will be rewarded with a summer reading certificate.

The following is a list of suggested books to read and includes some of our favorite authors. This list is also located at [www.mcamustangs.org](http://www.mcamustangs.org). New books added to the list are in red.

### Suggested Bibles and Bible Reading:

*Jesus Calling Bible Storybook* by Sarah Young

*The Beginners Bible* by Zondervan

*The Growing Reader Phonics Bible* by Joy MacKenzie

*Hey-O! Stories of the Bible* by Saddleback Kids

### Classics:

*A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood* by Fred Rogers

*Madeline* by Ludwig Bemelmans

*The Berenstain Bears* by Stan and Jan Berenstain

*The Giving Tree* by Shel Silverstein

*Harold and the Purple Crayon* by Crockett Johnson

*Caps for Sale: A Tale of a Peddler Some Monkeys and their Monkey Business* by Esphyr Slobodkina

### Concepts:

*A Seed is Sleepy* by Dianna Hutts Aston

*Every Color Soup* by Jorey Hurley

*Alpha Oops! The Day the Z Went First* by Alethea Kontis

*Ready, Set, Skip* by Jane O'Connor

*Black? White! Day? Night! A Book of Opposites* by Laura Vaccaro Seeger

*Superhero ABC* by Bob McLeod

*Dog's Colorful Day* by Emma Dodd

*Ten Naughty Little Monkeys* by Suzanne Williams

*Mother Goose: Numbers on the Loose* by Leo & Diane Dillon

*White Is for Blueberry* by George Shannon

### Stories in Song and Rhyme:

*Croaky Pokey!* by Ethan Long

*Green as a Bean* by Karla Kuskin

*Move Over, Rover!* by Karen Beaumont

*Old MacDonald Had a Truck* by Steve Goetz

### Silly Stories:

*Blizzard* by John Rocco

*The Big Cheese* by Jory John

*The Day the Crayons Quit* by Drew Daywalt

*The Legend of Rock Paper Scissors* by Drew Daywalt

*Truck Full of Ducks* by Ross Burach

*The Little Red Fort* by Brenda Maier

*Too Much Glue* by Jason Lefebvre

*The Three Pigs* by David Wiesner

*Three Hens & A Peacock* by Lester Laminack

*I Don't Want to be a Frog* by Dev Petty

### Animal Stories:

*Bear Snores On* by Karma Wilson & Jane Chapman

*Big Cat, Little Cat* by Elisha Cooper

*Farmer Duck* by Martin Waddell

*It's an Orange Aardvark!* by Michael Hall

*Kiss Good Night* by Amy Hest

*Being Frog* by April Pulley Sayre

*Memoirs of a Parrot* by Devin Scillian

*Memoirs of a Tortoise* by Devin Scillian

*Nesting* by Henry Cole

*Where, Oh Where is Baby Bear?* By Ashley Wolff

### Friends and Families:

*A Chair for My Mother* by Vera B. Williams

*A Splendid Friend, Indeed* by Suzanne Bloom

*Boxitects* by Kim Smith

*Friday Night Wrestlefest* by J.F. Fox

*How to Babysit a Grandpa/Grandma* by Jean Reagan

*If You Plant a Seed* by Kadir Nelson

*Strictly No Elephants* by Lisa Mantchev

*My Grandma= Mi Abuelita* by Ginger Foglesong Guy

*Olivia* by Ian Falconer

*Sorry (Really Sorry)* by Joanna Cotler

*The Old Truck* by Jarrett Pumphrey

*A Cup of Love* by Michael Todd

### School Stories:

*Look Out Kindergarten, Here I Come!* by Nancy Carlson

*Kindergarten Countdown* by Anna Jane Hays

*First Day Critter Jitters* by Jory John

*Clark the Shark* by Bruce Hale

*How to Get Your Octopus to School* by Becky Scharnhorst

*Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten* by Joseph Slate

### Christian Stories:

*Any Time, Any Place, Any Prayer: A True Story of When God Made You* by Matthew Paul Turner  
*How You Can Talk with God* by Laura Wifler

*The Creator in You* by Jordan Raynor      *God, I Feel Scared* by Michelle Nietert

### Additional Stories:

*What Should Danny Do? On Vacation!*  
(The Power to Choose series) by Ganit Levy

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