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### Summer Reading Lists

The Ipswich School Committee believes that academic performance and, in fact, life performance is strongly influenced by the quality and quantity of reading that students experience during the school-age years. The school committee, therefore, supports maximum use of out-of-school time as well as in-school time for a variety of good reading experiences.

The school committee also requires that each school provide, as a planned part of the academic year, a summer reading list which should contribute to both the enjoyment and the breadth of reading for students at all grade levels. Summer reading activities should be utilized during the subsequent school year as a basis for discussion and as an integrated part of the next year's educational experience. Professional educators will, of course, define the most appropriate activity so as to maximize academic gains and personal excitement resulting from the increased summer reading.

Principals are responsible to see that recommended reading lists are distributed to parents, libraries, and other organizations which will support increased student reading.

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