

## **REQUIRED MIDDLE SCHOOL BASIC SUPPLY LIST for 2024 -2025**

When possible, Unity School students are encouraged to buy earth-friendly supplies made from recycled and non-toxic materials. **Please save receipts in case items need to be returned.** Please replenish all required supplies as needed throughout the year.

### **Required items**

- Carrying case/briefcase with handles - minimum 11" x 9" (see picture below)
- Ear buds labeled with name (used in all classes - required daily) - wired or bluetooth
- Apple Pencil (1st Generation) (see picture below)
- Several pencils and pens (black and blue), several red ink pens (for all classes, please keep in a zipper pencil case, and replenish regularly)
- Several highlighters
- One scientific calculator: (acceptable calculators are shown below)

### **Class Subject Requirements:**

- **Language Arts (6th - 8th):** iPad needed only
- **Social Studies (6th - 8th):** One three subject spiral notebook **AND** one folder
- **Spanish (6th - 8th):** One 1" binder with a sturdy folder
- **Math (6th - 8th) and Science (6th - 8th):** One 1" binder to share between subjects  
**AND** three folders with pockets to go into the binder
- **Science (6th - 8th):** One [GRAPH](#) composition notebook, 3 large glue sticks, scissors

Items to have on hand at home when needed:

- Loose-leaf paper (replenished throughout the year)
- Graph paper (replenished throughout the year)
- At least three packages 3" x 5" index cards-
- Colored pencils and markers (thick lined)
- File folders, accordion folder, or other system for storage of papers
- Extra writing materials (pencils, pens, highlighters)
- Additional supplies may be required

### **No book covers/socks needed**

## Carrying case examples



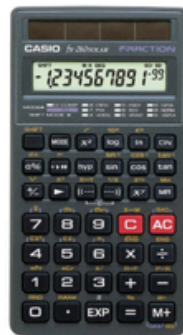
## Calculator Examples

Florida DOE-approved calculators for Sessions 2 and 3 on the FSA Grade 7 & 8 Mathematics **and** Session 2 on the FSA EOC Algebra 1, Geometry, & Algebra 2 exams.

TI-30Xa



Casio fx-260 solar



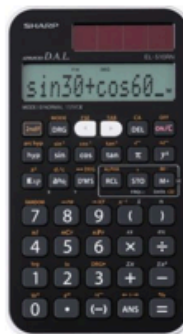
Casio fx-82 solar



Sharp EL-510R



Sharp EL-510RN



Apple Pencil (1st Generation)



Dear Rising Sixth Grader,

It's time to think about summer reading! I hope you have lots of time to read books this summer. I want you to read books that you will enjoy, so I've included a lot of choices.

Required Book Discussion Choices:

1. Please read **one (already chosen in May)** of the following books toward the end of the summer and be prepared to discuss it with your Book Group in August.
  - a. *Fake* by Ele Fountain
  - b. *Long Lost* by Jacqueline West
  - c. *96 Miles* by J.L. Esplin
  - d. *The Superteacher Project* by Gordon Korman
  - e. *Sal and Gabi Break the Universe* by Carlos Hernandez

2. You do not have to complete any written work for the required book because when school begins in August, you need to **be prepared to discuss the required book and complete a project.**

Here's your Free Choice Summer Reading Assignment:

1. **Choose and read 2 (two) books from the suggested reading list attached.**
2. **You must write a 6-8 sentence review for each book.** Be sure to have a good topic sentence about whether you recommend the book or not, at least three details from the story to back up your opinion and a concluding sentence. These are due by **Friday, August 23, 2024.**

That's it. Enjoy your reading. Read as much as you can, and I will see you in August. If you have any problems or questions, please email me at [bferguson@unityschool.com](mailto:bferguson@unityschool.com).

Have a safe, fun summer,  
Mrs. Ferguson

**Unity School Summer Reading Program- 2024  
Students Entering Grade 6**

Dear Parents and Students,

The following books are recommended for summer reading. Titles are chosen for their applicability to the curriculum, their recognition in journals, and in some cases, because of awards they have received. Students are encouraged to read as many books on the list as they choose; however, they must read one pre-chosen book for August as well as two other books of their choice from the list before the start of the school year. Students may NOT choose a book they have already read, either in class or for another book report. Enjoy reading and have a wonderful summer! If you have any questions, please email me.

**Please note these are suggested books based on published lists for middle school students and have not been reviewed for content. Parents need to use their own discretion when students are choosing books.**

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading List:

\*Free Choices: Please read two of the following books and write a one paragraph review of each due in August.

<b>A Corner of the Universe</b>	<b>Martin</b>
<b>****A Dog Called Homeless</b>	<b>Lean, Sara</b>
<b>Absolutely Normal Chaos</b>	<b>Creech</b>
<b>Adventures of Huckleberry Finn</b>	<b>Twain</b>
<b>Adventures of Ulysses</b>	<b>Evslin, B.</b>
<b>After the First Death</b>	<b>Cormier, R.</b>
<b>Airborn</b>	<b>Oppel</b>
<b>Alien Secrets</b>	<b>Klause</b>
<b>Anastasia Krupnik</b>	<b>Lowry</b>
<b>Anne of the Green Gables</b>	<b>L.M Montgomery</b>
<b>Are You There, God? It's Me, Margaret</b>	<b>Blume, J.</b>
<b>Artemis Fowl</b>	<b>Colfer</b>
<b>Bad Beginning or any other in the series</b>	<b>Snicket</b>
<b>Back to the Divide</b>	<b>Kay</b>
<b>Beastly Arms</b>	<b>Jennings</b>
<b>Beggars' Ride</b>	<b>Nelson, T.</b>
<b>*****Better Nate Than Ever</b>	<b>Federle</b>
<b>Black Stallion</b>	<b>Farley</b>
<b>Blue Heron</b>	<b>Avi</b>
<b>Boggart and the Monster</b>	<b>Cooper</b>
<b>Book Thief</b>	<b>Markus Zusak</b>
<b>Book Without Words</b>	<b>Avi</b>
<b>Brian's Winter</b>	<b>Paulsen</b>

Bridge to Terabithia	Paterson
Bud Not Buddy	Doornik
Call of the Wild	London, J.
Chinese Cinderella	Mah
Chocolate War	Cormier
Crispin: The Cross of Lead	Avi
The Dangerous Days of Daniel X	Peterson
Daniel's Story	Matas
Double Identity	Haddix
***Dead End in Norvelt	Gantos
****Doll Bones	Black
Ender's Game	Card, O.
Enna Burning	Hale
Eragon	Paolini
Esperanza Rising	Ryan
EverWorld; Land of Loss or Search for Senna	Applegate
Face On the Milk Carton or Voice on the Radio	Cooney, C.
Fallen Angels	Myers, W.
Family Apart	Nixon, J.
Far North	Hobbs
Feathers	Woodson
Firegirl	Abbott
*****Flora & Ulysses: Illuminated Adventures	DiCamillo
***** Girl Who Drank the Moon	Barnhill, K.
Goose Girl	Hale
Hatchet	Gary Paulsen
Hattie Big Sky	Larson
Headless Cupid	Snydey
Heat	Lupica (or any novel by this author)
Heart of a Champion	Deuker
Hobbit	Tolkien
Hoops	Myers, W.D.
Hoot	Hiaasen
House of the Scorpion	Farmer
Hunger Game series:	Collins
The Hunger Games	
Catching Fire	
Mockingjay	
Ironman	Crutcher
Jacob Have I Loved	Paterson, K.
Jump Ship to Freedom	Collier
Last Shot: A Final Four Mystery author)	Feinstein (or any novel by this
Let The Circle Be Unbroken	Taylor, M.
Life As We Knew It	Pfeffer

Lightning Thief	Rick Riordan
Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe	Lewis, C.S.
Little Women	Alcott, L.
Lyddie	Paterson
Man Who was Poe	Avi
Maximum Ride Series:	
School's Out Forever	Patterson
Saving the World and other extreme Sports	Patterson
Miracles on Maple Hill	Sorensen
My Side of the Mountain	George
****Navigating Early	Vanderpool
Nighthoops	Deuker
Our Only May Amelia	Holm
*****Piecing Me Together	Watson, R.
Pig Man (or any other title by Zindel)	Zindel.
Redwall	Jacques
Red-Tail Angels: The Story Of The Tuskegee Airmen of WWII	McKissack
River Secrets	Hale
Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry	Taylor
****Sarafina	Hartman, R.
Shadow Children Series	Haddix, M.
**Ship Breaker	Bacigalupi
Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants series	Brashares, A.
So B. It	Weeks
Solitary Blue, A	Voight
Something for Joey	Peck
Speak	Laurie Halse Anderson
Squashed	Bauer
Stargirl	Jerry Spinelli
Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes	Crutcher
Sword in the Stone	White
Tangerine	Bloor
****Three Times Lucky	Turnage, S
True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle	Avi
Twilight, New Moon, Eclipse,	Meyer
Uglies (Trilogy)	Westerfield, S
Up A Road Slowly	Hunt, I.
Walk Two Moons	Creech, S.
*****War That Saved My Life	Bradley, K.
Wednesday Wars	Schmidt
What Janie Found	Cooney, C.
What Janie Saw	Cooney, C.
*When You Reach Me	Stead
Where The Red Fern Grows	Rawls, W.

Witch & Wizard  
Witch Of Blackbird Pond  
Wonder  
\*\*\*\*Wonder Show  
Year Without Michael

Patterson  
Speare, E.  
R.J. Palacio  
Barnaby, H.  
Pfeffer

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**Titles with \* are Newbery Award Winning Books**



# 4 Steps TO GET "MATH" READY FOR NEXT YEAR

For Unity School Middle School Students



**Hooray for Summer!**  
Don't let all the great learning you did this year slide away this summer.  
Stay "Math Fit" with Khan Academy by following these 4 easy steps!

**01**

Go to Khan Academy Website

Click the link [here](#)  
or scan this QR code:



**02**

Scroll to "Math Get Ready" Courses

Math: Get ready courses	
Get ready for 3rd grade	Get ready for Algebra 1
Get ready for 4th grade	Get ready for Geometry
Get ready for 5th grade	Get ready for Algebra 2
Get ready for 6th grade	Get ready for Precalculus
Get ready for 7th grade	Get ready for AP® Calculus
Get ready for 8th grade	Get ready for AP® Statistics



**BE SURE TO SELECT  
ONE GRADE LEVEL  
AHEAD**

Example if you are starting 7th grade in August, you would select "Get Ready for 8th Grade."

**03**

Begin with the Course Challenge

COURSE CHALLENGE

Test your knowledge of the skills in this course.

[Start Course challenge](#)

Watch this helpful video [here](#): or scan QR code



**04**

Finish Course Challenge with at least  
**70% Mastery**



Finished the Course Challenge? Kick it up a few notches by increasing your mastery to 80 or even 100%. The sky is the limit!!

**A Note to Families:**

Learn more about these "Get Ready" lessons from Khan Academy [here](#)  
or scan QR code

