

The Summer Slide



Dear Ashton Families,

Are you worried about the summer slide of your child's learning? We have a few suggestions to help with this problem! We have created a summer packet that includes ideas and suggestions to keep your child's mind engaged and ready for school to start in the fall.

If you have a computer, we have several websites and places to go online that can help you:

masoncounty.lib.wv.us/index.html

guest.portaportal.com/ashtonelementary

ixl.com

pbskids.com

brainpop.com

prodigygame.com

abcya.com

starfall.com

If you do not have a computer, we have attached some activities that will help your child prepare for next year.

Thank you,

Ashton Elementary

Avoid the Summer Slide!



Keep learning all summer long with these cool online tools:

Your child has an easy to remember username and password. The school code is

MobyMax

Complete K-8 Math and ELA

- Mathematics
- Reading
- Language
- Fact Fluency
- Writing
- Vocabulary



WV696. Students can practice their math facts and reading skills in fun and engaging ways. They earn game time and stickers as well.



Spend time with Annie and Moby, the Brain Pop & Brain Pop Jr Robot!

There are videos on every topic you can imagine as well as games and activities. You have to turn on your sound!

Our school Symbaloo has links to all sorts of fun activities online.

<http://www.symbaloo.com/mix/edutools90>



All students need keyboarding skills!

Use Hyper Spider Typing or Dance Mat Typing for some fun typing practice. Both links are found on the Symbaloo.

Visit us at the Ashton Elementary Website for lots of helpful information and to find more links of interest. We have the school calendar, email addresses of teachers, and more.

<http://ashton.maso.k12.wv.us>

Join in the WV Department of Education's Summer Challenge! The WVDE has created a webpage, which includes tools and resources you can use to encourage students to read and practice their math skills. For more info visit:

<http://wvde.state.wv.us/summer-challenge/>

On Twitter @ #ReadWV #MathWV

Another GREAT resource sponsored by the WVDE is Learn21

Learn21 provides engaging Web-based games and resources for students in grades Pre-K to 12th.

Find it at <http://wvde.state.wv.us/learn21/> .

Learn21



If you are interested in WV History, the site for you is e-WV "The West Virginia Encyclopedia" sponsored by the WV Humanities Council.

Check it out at <http://www.wvencyclopedia.org/>



The West Virginia Summer Reading Contest

As a part of the West Virginia Summer Reading Contest, the four schools with the highest percentage of the school's student body/population that "pledge to read" will receive one of the prizes below. All of the prizes are popular reading improvement programs that use Lexile® measures to differentiate reading instruction. Students in grades 3-11 receive a Lexile measure from the West Virginia General Summative Assessments. Prizes are available through the West Virginia Department of Education's partnership with MetaMetrics® (developer of Lexile measures), Achieve3000®, myON®, and Reading Horizons®. In recognition of the importance of summer reading, Achieve3000, myON, and Reading Horizons will donate school licenses of their reading improvement software.

How do I submit my pledge to read?

All members of the school community (students, educators, parents, and administrators) are invited to participate. Participants can pledge to read at "Find a Book, West Virginia" (www.Lexile.com/fab/WV). The Summer Reading Pledge begins on May 1, 2017 and will end on August 31, 2017. Simply click the "Submit your Summer Reading Pledge" button and enter in your information. Please enter your official school name.

Summer Reading Prizes



Achieve3000® is offering a school license of KidBiz3000® and TeenBiz3000®. These differentiated online literacy solutions help students in elementary and middle school build reading comprehension, fluency, vocabulary, and writing proficiency. KidBiz3000 is for students in grades 2-5 and TeenBiz3000 is for students in grades 6-8. Both solutions provide engaging, 100% nonfiction content differentiated to students' individual learning levels and include extension activities and ongoing Lexile® assessment.



myON® is offering a one-year school subscription to the award-winning personalized literacy program that provides a complete literacy ecosystem for students and educators. The Literacy Ecosystem includes the myON platform, over 5,000 digital books, The Lexile® Framework for Reading, a comprehensive Literacy Toolkit (highlighting, notes and essay writers and more), embedded metrics to engage and monitor students' achievement. We invite everyone in West Virginia to join over 6 million students in over 12,000 schools who are exploring the magic of myON! www.TheFutureinReading.com



Reading Horizons is offering a school license of their Reading Horizons Discovery® and Reading Horizons Elevate® software. Reading Horizons software products use the latest technology to engage beginning readers, struggling readers, and English language learners in research-based reading instruction that makes learning to read a simple, straight-forward, and enjoyable process. All of Reading Horizons software products are enhanced with reading assessments powered by The Lexile® Framework for Reading to monitor and gauge student progress throughout instruction.



Check out this free math resource!

The **Summer Math Challenge** is a FREE math skills maintenance program based on grade-level standards that help prepare students for college and careers. The program is targeted to students who have just completed grades 1 through 8 and is designed to help kids retain math skills learned during the previous school year. From June 19th through July 28th, parents will receive daily emails with fun activities and links to educational resources. For more information on the Summer Math Challenge, visit www.quantiles.com/summer-math.

