

## Ways to Promote Reading at Home:

- Model for your child that you are a reader! Set the example and read **with** your child, **to** your child, as well as talk about what you are reading **for fun!**
- Allow choice as much as possible! If your child wants to read a book that is too difficult for them at this time, perhaps reading aloud to them is a great opportunity to help them stay motivated to read!
- Don't forget Audiobooks on CD or Playaways (both are available for free at the library) especially for those long, summer road trips! Reading through listening is another "act" of reading!

### Bonus Activity:

Take photos of your child "in the act" of reading and email them to:

[caughtreading@nordoniaschools.org](mailto:caughtreading@nordoniaschools.org)

You may see them on the [Nordoniaschools.org](http://Nordoniaschools.org) website!

FREE Books, Audiobooks, and eBooks are available at the local libraries! Ask a librarian for help with specific book titles, authors, and genres! AND don't forget to sign up for a library card if you do not have one already (it is ALL FREE)!

Nordonia Hills Public Library  
[www.akronlibrary.org](http://www.akronlibrary.org)  
330.467.8595

Twinsburg Public Library  
<http://www.twinsburglibrary.org>  
330.425.4268

Hudson Public Library  
<http://www.hudsonlibrary.org>  
330.653.6658

*Don't forget to join the Library's Summer Reading Program while you are there!*

Barnes and Noble also offers a free Summer Reading Program- for more information you can visit the nearest B&N store and ask for more details.

\*To find Accelerated Reader titles and their levels, visit [www.arbookfind.com](http://www.arbookfind.com)



## Incoming 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading Project

Nordonia Hills City Schools

For the 2019-2020 School Year

## Genres:

**Fantasy**-Fiction that contains unrealistic or unworldly elements and magical adventure.

Examples of Fantasy authors: John Flanagan, Lemony Snicket, Jane Yolen, Marion Dane Bauer, Ursula LeGuin

**Science Fiction**- Imaginary text based on current or future scientific and/or technological knowledge, developments, and possibilities.

Examples of Science Fiction authors: Bruce Coville, K.A. Applegate, Margaret Peterson Haddix, Ridley Pearson

**Nonfiction**-True, factual events, settings, and people. Can include biographies, memoirs, current events, along with poetry books.

Examples of nonfiction series: National Geographic Kids, Who Was? Biography series, Popular nonfiction topics: Science, space, animals, natural disasters

**Realistic Fiction**- a genre consisting of stories that could have actually occurred to people or animals in a believable setting. These stories resemble real life, and fictional characters within these stories react similarly to real people.

Examples of Realistic Fiction authors: Matt Christopher, Barbara Park, Louis Sachar, Andrew Clements, Judy Blume, Sharon Creech, Tim Green, Mike Lupica.

**Historical Fiction**- A fictional story set in a recognizable period of history; characters and events are realistic, and historical events are necessary to the plot.

Examples of Historical Fiction authors: Jean Fritz, Mildred Taylor, Gary Paulsen, Christopher Paul Curtis, Popular Series: *The I Survived Series*

**Mystery**- A story that involves a crime or intriguing problem around which the plot is built. The main character (sleuth) embarks on a search to reveal the hidden secrets to explain clue-based events, find the truth, and solve the problem.

Examples of Mystery authors: David Adler, James Howe, Donald Sobol, Bruce Hale

Reading is a critical skill for academic success in all subject areas and our goal for summer reading is that all students continue to read throughout the summer months.

1. Using your student's current **Accelerated Reader range**, read *at least two books from two different genres* listed in this brochure. We would love to see each student read as many books, in many different genres throughout the summer!
2. Have your child complete the self-addressed stamped postcards for every book he/she reads this summer. More postcards can be found at the Nordonia Hills Public Library's main desk as well as the Board Office (open Mon.-Fri. 7:30a.m.-3:00p.m.).
3. Send in the self-addressed postcards via U.S. Mail. They can also be dropped off in the Northfield Public Library (ask for the location of the postcard box) or place in the box located inside the main doors of the Board Office (Mon.-Fri. 7:30a.m.-3:00p.m.)
4. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade teachers will receive the postcards prior to the start of the school year. There will be some classroom and library activities using these postcards to "kick off" the school year!