



## 8th Grade Summer Homework

Skinner Scholars have summer homework assigned as a means to help prevent “summer slide.” The following assignments were designed by grade level teachers to ensure students keep current grade level expectations, while still being able to enjoy summer.

The following assignments can be accessed on the Skinner website: <http://skinner.dpsk12.org/>

Please follow the instructions below to complete your assignments by August 25<sup>th</sup>.

### Language Arts:

Students will read at least one book of their choice. The book assignment requires students complete a written assignment: **OPTION #1: Double--entry Journal** OR **OPTION #2: Character Diary**

Please refer to the Skinner website for full explanations of assignments and rubrics outlining expectations to receive full credit.

\*If students are expecting to be considered for Honors Language Arts, the expectation is students read two books and complete an assignment for both books.

Submit your assignment by logging into your DPS student account and joining the Google classroom called “8th Grade Language Arts Summer Homework 2016-17” using the code: **w9jsb8**

### Math:

Students will complete IXL assignments. **Proficiency scores** must **be at 80%**. These assignments are considered skills students should have **mastered** by the end of 7th grade. Students seeking an additional challenge should work to master fractions concepts: equivalency, add, subtract, divide, multiply etc. Constant practice will help students more easily understand Algebra 1 concepts.

\*Please refer to the Skinner website for the required list of IXL.com topics to be practiced\*

If you are a rising 8<sup>th</sup> grade who will be taking Geometry in the 2016-2017 school year, please refer to the Skinner website as you are **required to complete the Geometry summer homework**.

### Science:

Students will read three scientific articles and write Claim-Evidence-Reasoning responses. Please refer to the Skinner website for a rubric and full discussion of assignment expectations.

Students will submit summer homework to a Google classroom named “2016/2017 8th Grade Science Summer Homework.” The code for the Google classroom is **iz6f4l**.

### Social Studies:

In 8<sup>th</sup> grade, students will study the first half of American history. Over the summer, complete the following assignments to be fully prepared to participate in our first lessons in August.

- 1.) Answer the question: What does it mean to be an American to you?
- 2.) Throughout the summer record three examples of each of the four social sciences of Social Studies from your life and your families lives/experiences.