



SUMMER GOALS: PARENT INFORMATION and RESOURCE PAGE

Summer is a fantastic time to encourage your child to make learning a lifestyle! Not only does a summer learning plan help children continue to grow and make reading gains, it will help foster a love of learning and develop the habit of goal setting. We have aligned our summer goal planning sheet with some of the Ignite Academy values and chose to focus on the following areas: reading/literature, physical health, and inquiry.

READING

Summer reading is essential! There is no greater gift you can give your child and no other activity that will have a more positive effect on next school year. Children should read (or be read to) at least 30 minutes per day. Here are some reading lists to help you select your summer books:

- *List of "1000 Good Books" for Primary Reading Level 1-3*
<http://www.classical-homeschooling.org/celoop/1000-primary.html>
- *Sunshine State Young Readers Award Books 2019-2020 List for Grades 3-5*
<https://www.floridamediaed.org/ssyra.html>
- *Books for K-3*
<https://www.teachersfirst.com/prireading.cfm>

HEALTH

Not only do we want to cultivate stronger minds but stronger bodies as well! Here are some examples of health goals:

1. *I will ride 2 miles without my training wheels by August 1st because I want my body to be strong enough to take longer bike rides with my daddy.*
2. *I will try 20 new fruits and vegetables by August 5th because I want to eat better so I can boost my immune system.*
3. *I will be able to do 20 yoga poses and stretches by July because I want to be flexible and be able to calm myself with breathing.*

LEARNING QUEST

A learning quest is an opportunity for a child to become an independent problem solver. It begins with a question and ends with a celebration of learning. The process takes time and a child can focus on just answering one question per summer so they can dive more deeply into the topic. Here is an example:

This summer I want to learn more about: local animals

Within this topic, the question I want to pursue is: What are native, Florida animals like in their natural environment and how are they different from one another?

*Here is what I will create to celebrate what I have learned and share with others:
I will make a video series about animals in my neighborhood and post it on YouTube!*

My plan for gathering information:

<i>Activity</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>1. Make a list of the animals in my neighborhood.</i>	<i>June</i>
<i>2. Read about them in books from the library and take notes.</i>	<i>June</i>
<i>3. Find them in my neighborhood and take notes and pictures.</i>	<i>June</i>
<i>4. Come up with a title for my show and plan 3 episodes.</i>	<i>July</i>
<i>5. Write the scripts and get my actors.</i>	<i>July</i>
<i>6. Film the episode.</i>	<i>July</i>
<i>7. Edit the episode.</i>	<i>August</i>
<i>8. Post the episodes and share with my friends and family!</i>	<i>August</i>

OTHER GREAT LINKS AND RESOURCES FOR SUMMER LEARNING:

- Go to a Summer Camp
https://www.tampabayparenting.com/directory_category/summer-camps/
- Summer Brain Quest Workbook (has a fun game board w/stickers to keep kids motivated)
https://www.tampabayparenting.com/directory_category/summer-camps/
- Use an educational app
<https://www.readbrihtly.com/the-best-learning-apps-to-keep-kids-engaged-all-summer/>
- Create art with Cassie Stevens' free art videos
https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=cassie+stephens
- Create a bucket list of STEAM activities to do over the summer
<https://www.steampoweredfamily.com/activities/summer-stem-activities/>

Name: _____

Year: _____



MY SUMMER GOALS PLANNING SHEET

READING

I will complete the following books by reading _____ minutes each day.

Titles and authors:

_____ by _____
_____ by _____
_____ by _____

*Participate in the IGNITE ACADEMY SUMMER READING CHALLENGE by also completing the attached reading log and emailing us your total number of summer reading minutes!

HEALTH

I will _____ (outcome/activity)

by _____ (deadline or frequency)

because _____

_____ (your big why).

LEARNING QUEST

This summer I want to learn more about _____.

Within this topic, the question I want to pursue is:

_____?

Here is what I will create to celebrate what I have learned and share with others:

My plan for gathering information:

Activity	Date
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	
7.	
8.	

Now post this plan somewhere you can see it everyday!
You are a hard worker and are going to have a great
time learning this summer!