

## IMPORTANCE OF SUMMER READING

Research has consistently documented the importance of summer reading. Students who read recreationally during the summer do better when the new school year begins. Studies show that students who do not read during the summer show a significant loss over the summer break. Research has shown that reading just four or five books during the summer can prevent this achievement and learning loss. **The purpose of *No Book Left Unread*** is to encourage K-12 students to engage in self-selected recreational summer reading to prevent learning loss and to foster improved student achievement.

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*Open a Book.  
Expand a Mind.  
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**Reading is a critical life skill.**

## RECOGNITION

### School Recognition State Reader Leader Schools

Seven schools will be recognized for reporting the most time spent reading statewide:

Three schools with enrollment of 750 or below:  
one elementary school, one middle school,  
one high school

Three schools with enrollment of 751 or above:  
one elementary school, one middle school,  
one high school

One school with non-traditional grade bands  
(e.g. K-2, K-4, K-8, K-12, 11-12, 7-12)

### Individual Recognition State Reader Leaders

Six **students** statewide will be recognized for spending the most time reading: one elementary student, one middle school student, one high school student for schools with enrollment of 750 or less and one elementary student, one middle school student, one high school student for schools with enrollment of 751 or more

Six **faculty/staff members** statewide will be recognized for spending the most time reading: one elementary, one middle school, one high school faculty/staff member for schools with enrollment of 750 or less and one elementary, one middle school, one high school faculty/staff member for schools with enrollment of 751 or more

Three **library media specialists** statewide will be recognized for having the highest percentage of their student enrollment participating: one elementary media specialist, one middle school media specialist, one high school media specialist



## ELIGIBILITY

- Students entering Kindergarten in 2010-2011 are eligible to participate in the 2010 No Book Left Unread Summer Reading Program. Students should take their reading logs to the teacher-librarian at their school.
- Students moving from elementary school to middle school should take their reading logs to the teacher-librarian at the middle school.
- Students moving from middle school to high school should take their reading logs to the teacher-librarian at the high school.
- Students who graduated at the end of the 2009-2010 school year are not eligible to participate unless they return as school employees.
- All *certified* personnel are eligible to participate for the school where they are employed.
- All *classified* personnel are eligible to participate for the school where they are employed.
- District office staff are eligible to participate. For details contact Martha Alewine (malewine@ed.sc.gov).

## WHAT TO READ

All participants are encouraged to engage in self-selected recreational reading; we do not have a required reading list for NBLU. Suggested reading lists include:

- *100 Suggested Picture Books*,
- *100 Suggested Books for Elementary Students*,
- *100 Suggested Books for Middle School Students*,
- *100 Suggested Books for High School Students*
- *50 Suggested Titles for Adult Recreational Reading*  
(These lists are available online at <http://reading-calendars.pbworks.com>.)
- South Carolina Association of School Librarians Book Award nominees (available online at <http://www.scasl.net>.)

## AWARDS

- Reader Leader Schools each receive a selection of books from the SC Department of Education and book vouchers from The Reading Warehouse, Follett Library Resources, and Mackin Educational Resources
- The principal and library media specialist of each Reader Leader School receive an invitation to the SCASL Awards Luncheon held annually in March.
- Each Reader Leader Student and Faculty/Staff Member receives a selection of books from the SC Department of Education and a \$25 gift certificate from The Reading Warehouse and Follett Library Resources.
- Each Reader Leader Student receives an invitation to the SCASL Awards Luncheon for himself or herself and one parent.
- Each Reader Leader Faculty/Staff Member receives an invitation to the SCASL Awards Luncheon.
- Each library media specialist recognized for having the highest percentage of students participating receives a selection of books from the SC Department of Education and a gift voucher from The Reading Warehouse, and Follett Library Resources and an invitation to the SCASL Awards Luncheon.

## NBLU DATES

June 1—August 31, 2010

Final Reports due by September 15, 2010

Reader Leaders Announced  
September 20, 2010

**No Book Left Unread** is coordinating this year with the public library summer reading programs. Students may participate in both programs.