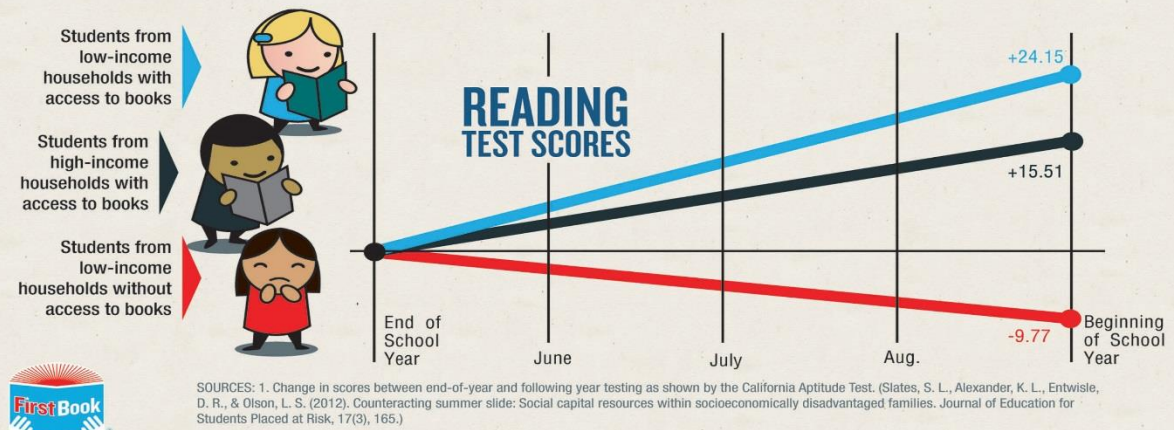


KIDS WHO READ BEAT SUMMER SLIDE

Studies show that access to books during the summer prevents a drastic loss in reading skill – especially for kids in need.



As we are nearing the end of the school year, remember that reading is crucial in helping your child maintain their reading skills learned during the school year. Research shows children lose one to three months of learning during the summer, and that loss can be compounded every year. This is frustrating for teachers and challenging for students. When kids aren't in school, they forget crucial skills they learned during the year – at least a month of reading achievement, on average. This so-called "summer slide" is particularly evident in children from low-income families. For millions of low-income kids, that delay impacts their likelihood of attending college or even earning a high school diploma. If you need some ideas or lists of books for your child to check out at the library that is at their current reading level, please see your child's classroom teacher or myself before the end of the school year.

Thank you,
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