

Supporting Learning & Enrichment During the Summer

SWIDA Parent Support Meeting: May 9, 2022




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Communicate with teachers & related providers.

- Better understand areas of strength and relative weakness
- Educator recommendations for summer support
- Seek support through a specialized summer skills program or specialized tutor

Discussion Question:
How might you connect with your child’s educators to help inform your summer plan?



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Consider your child's strengths & interests.

- You know your child best!



Discussion Question:

Which areas does your child feel most confident? What activities or routines might you include in your summer home routine to build on these strengths?

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Consider your reading routine.

- **Ear reading and eye reading opportunities**
- **Routines are powerful!**
 - Empowerment and resistance
 - Model and teach persistence
- **Keeping reading fun and relaxed!**
 - newspaper comics, sightseeing/vacation materials, directions, grocery lists
- **Identify topics of interest and gather aligned reading materials**
- **Programs and resources that support home reading routines:**
 - Understood- Tips for parents, reward charts



Discussion Question: Do you currently have a home reading routine (ear and eye reading)? If so, what has worked well? What "hooks" have captivated your child to help work through resistance? How might you start or adjust your home reading routine for the summer?

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Consider current and future assistive technology needs.

- **Brief overview of typical AT options for reading and writing challenges, EF**
 - Oregon Student AT Chart
- **Share free and low-cost AT resources**
- **AT Focus- SWIDA Fall Conference**

Discussion Question:

Which AT needs will support your student in the next grade level? What access do you currently have to support practice with the identified AT?



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Forum of book recommendations

- **Ear reading options**
- **Decodable text options**
- **Books featuring characters with a learning difference**
- **Graphic novels**
- **Parent read -alouds**
- **Pairing books with movies**



Share your favorites!

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