

Norma Butler Bossard Elementary School

Summer English/Language Arts & Math Requirements

Incoming 4th Graders

Dear Parents/Guardians.

Students entering the 4th grade must complete the following assignments, prior to the first day of school, August 17, 2023. These assignments are mandatory and will be the first grades your child earns for the 2023-2024 school year.

ELA Requirements:

This summer, students **must read** *I* Survived Hurricane Katrina by Lauren Tarshis. This is a mandatory read for all incoming 4th graders. **Students will be given a paper and pencil test on the first week of school for a grade.**

In addition, students **must complete one of the reading tasks below on the book**. Students will receive a grade on the reading task chosen as well. It will be due on Friday, August 25, 2023.

Reading Tasks:

Choose one project from below for a grade.

- 1. Create a collage around the themes and main characters in this book.
- 2. Write a character diary, writing at least five journal entries as if you are the main character in the story. Write down events that happened during the story and reflect on how they affected the character and why.
- 3. Create a timeline of the major events in this book. Use drawings or magazine cut outs to show the events in this book. Label each event.
- 4. As a literary agent, write a letter to the publishing company designed to persuade them to publish this book.

Math Requirements:

A Math Summer Packet will be available on the school's website. Students must print and return the completed packet to their fourth-grade teacher. If there are any concerns obtaining the packet from the website, please advise your child's current teacher **PRIOR to the end of the school year.**

Thank you for your support!
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