



OMES at-a-Glance



News for Otis A. Mason Families Summer 2026

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Summer Resources on our OMES Website

[Our OMES WEBSITE](#) is here to serve your family all summer long. Get your questions answered!

- [School Supply Lists for 2026-2027](#)
- Summer Passports to Learning
- [Enrollment information](#)
- Kindergarten Screening Information
- [Extended Day Registration starting July 1st](#)
- New SSYRA Reading Lists
- [Summer Block Party & Health Fair July 31st](#)
- Meet the Teacher Information
- [Updating your Background Check](#)

Check our website regularly for all the news and updates that you won't want to miss.

Testing Results on the Testing Portal:

PLEASE, log in and recognize and celebrate your child's progress over the years. Results include Progress Monitoring 1, 2, and 3 for every year they have tested. Families can get immediate results on the State Assessments Test Portal.

To access the portal, log into HAC. Click on the **REGISTRATION** tab and scroll to **Additional Information** under Demographic and "Copy" the **Statewide Assessments Family Portal Access Code** that is unique for your child. Then click on the **HOME** tab followed by the **SCHOOL LINKS** tab. Click on the [Statewide Assessments Family Portal link](#). Enter your child's code and information.

Once logged in, you can review "all years" and "current year" results in ELA and Math for 3-5. Celebrate your child's growth through the year and support them as they traverse the Summer Passport to Learning. The Family Portal also has FREE resources for families linked to the standards that your child needs support with.

Character Highlight: Building Character All Summer Long

Children never stop learning. They observe, listen, and follow the guidance of those around them. Here are activity ideas to keep character strong all summer:

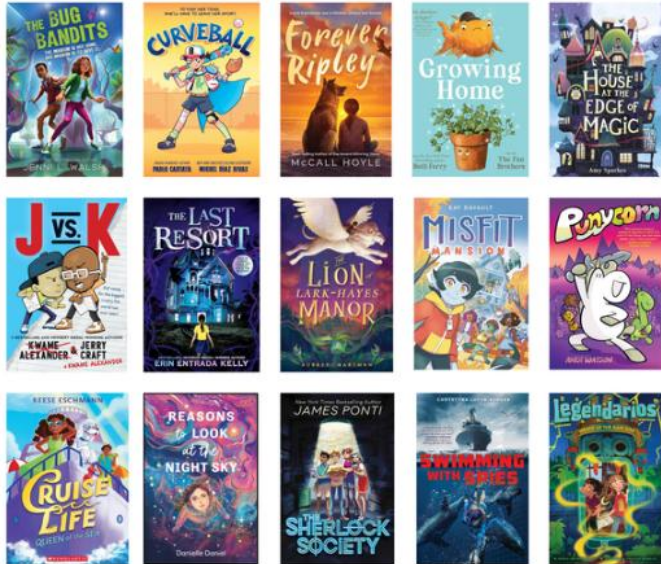
- **Practice Respect with The Gratitude Jar:** Have your family write or draw things they are grateful for. Share them once weekly. This will help students develop respect for the people, places, and things around them.
- **Practice Trustworthiness with The Blindfolded Obstacle Course:** Pair family members in groups of two and have one partner navigate the house blindfolded using only verbal instructions from their partner. Build trust and active listening skills!
- **Practice Caring with Random Acts of Kindness:** Challenge your "kindness ninjas" to accomplish super-secret acts of kindness without anyone catching them.
- **Practice Fairness with Puppet Role Playing:** Use toys or puppets to act out common disagreements in your household. How should conflicts be resolved in a kind and fair way?
- **Practice Responsibility with Household Tasks and Chores:** Giving a child [age-appropriate responsibilities & chores](#) is essential for a child's development. It is great for every member of the family to know that they have an important role in the home.
- **Practice Citizenship as a family with a neighborhood activity:** We suggest joining a beach clean-up or a 5K for a cause. Even just walking the neighborhood and picking up trash demonstrates how easy it is to improve the world around us.

Keep Reading, Mason!

The public library has story times for every age. Sign-up with your local library today: www.sjcpls.org. Check out the new SSYRA titles for [K-2](#) and [3-5](#):



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Mason Parent Summer Book Club

Mason parents and guardians lead by example. We read and grow just like our students! If you are interested in reading titles suggested by our faculty and staff, here they are:

The Anxious Generation: How the Great Rewiring of Childhood is Causing an Epidemic of Mental Illness by Jonathan Haidt with companion book for children aged 9 to 12: **The Amazing Generation** by Jonathan Haidt and Catherine Price. [Click here to listen to the podcast discussion.](#) We cannot recommend this book enough for every parent as they decide when and how to give a child a phone.

That Crumpled Paper Was Due Last Week: Helping Disorganized and Distracted Boys Succeed in School and Life by Ana Homayoun. This is a direct guide to helping parents and guardians to directly teach their child how to organize for success. Executive function skills are so important in life. This book can help you as you guide your child to successful habits.

The Creative Habit: Learn it and Use it for Life by Twyla Tharp is a great guide to harnessing your time for creativity in the busy world we live in today. It helps to build this creative habit time as a family where creativity and passion can flourish in any given subject.

Grit: The Power of Passion and Perseverance by Angela Duckworth. [See the accompanying TED talk here.](#) This is a surprising book about the necessity and the benefits of failure and obstacles in our lives. Allowing your child to struggle through problems is so important. When YOU believe they can do it, THEY start to believe they can do it too. Grit IS a superpower for life!

The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People by Stephen R. Covey and the companion book **The Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens** by Sean Covey written for ages 12-17 which is a great guidebook to help you prioritize leadership and independence in your life and with your family. It is a classic for healthy habit-building skills.



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Early Reader Chapter Books