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Due Date: August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024



## Passport to Summer Learning

Welcome to Otis A. Mason Elementary School!  
 The following Passport to Summer Learning was designed to help you and your family experience, learn, and grow this summer.  
 Your goal is to complete a minimum of 15 activities in one week. Please check off each activity you complete daily.  
 As you read books this summer, please record them in your summer reading log.

Your completed Passport for Summer Learning is due to your new teacher no later than Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup>!

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# JULY



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Weekly Activity Count
<p><b>30<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>1<sup>st</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>2<sup>nd</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...go to the "Florida Marine Life" program at the Southeast Library from 2-3PM.  <input type="checkbox"/>...go to the Culvers of Saint Augustine Hot Rod Car Show 4-7PM.  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>3<sup>rd</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...go to "Lego BINGO" at the Anastasia Library from 2:30-3:30PM.  <input type="checkbox"/>...go to the "Family Fun Movie Festival: Trolls Band Together" event at the Southeast Library from 3-5PM.  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>4<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...get together with family and friends for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p> 	<p><b>5<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...go to the Camp Fire Book Club at the Anastasia Library from 2:30-3:30PM.  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>6<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...go to the Home Depot Kids Building Workshop 9AM-12PM.  <input type="checkbox"/>...go to Barnes and Nobel Story Time 2PM.  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p>Parent/Guardian Initials: _____/36</p>
<p><b>7<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...Hair accessory workshop @ Michaels 2-4PM.  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>8<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>9<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...go to the "What Is Rocket Science Anyway?" with NASA Ambassador Dr. Tredler at the Southeast Library from 2-3PM.  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>10<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>11<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...go to The Waterworks Back in Time Concert via the EMMA Concert association.  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>12<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...go to the Camp Fire Book Club at the Anastasia Library from 2:30-3:30PM.  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>13<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...Craft stick airplane workshop @ Michaels 10AM-12PM  <input type="checkbox"/>...go to Barnes and Nobel Story Time 2PM.  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p>Parent/Guardian Initials: _____/22</p>

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<p><b>21<sup>st</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>22<sup>nd</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...do some sort of exercise I love (riding a bike, walking, swimming, etc.).  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>23<sup>rd</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>24<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>25<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>... make a list of three things I am grateful for.  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>26<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>27<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...go to the Camp Fire Book Club at the Anastasia Library from 2:30-3:30M.  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p>Parent/Guardian Initials: _____/17</p>
<p><b>28<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...write a list of things I love about someone and give it to them.  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>29<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>30<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...go to the Camp Fire Book Club at the Anastasia Library from 2:30-3:30.  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>	<p><b>31<sup>st</sup></b></p> <p><b>Today I was able to...</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/>...go to the "End of Summer Ice Cream Party" at the Anastasia Library from 2:30-3:30.  <input type="checkbox"/>...explore and play on Starfall for 10 minutes.  <input type="checkbox"/>...read a book.</p>				<p>Parent/Guardian Initials: _____/11</p>

**Passport to Summer Learning - Reading Log**

**Due Date: August 16, 2023**



Manatees, where will your summer reading adventures take you?

Maybe you'll read your favorite book in a beach chair while the water dances on your toes! Maybe you'll read by the light of a campfire! Maybe, you'll just make a tent with your bedsheets and read under the covers with a flashlight! Wherever you decide to do your summer reading, we want you to ENJOY it! As you explore new books this summer, consider selecting titles from the Sunshine State Young Readers Award Junior or the Sunshine State Young Readers Award booklist. If you can meet the goals noted below, you will be invited to one of Otis A. Mason's Passport Parties!

**Passport to Summer Learning Reading Goals:**

**1) Read at least 10 books.**

**Keep track of your reading using the reading log below.**

Date	Title of Book	Parent Initials
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## SSYRA Jr. 2024-2025 Annotated List



**Mr. S: A First Day of School Book** written and illustrated by Monica Amaldo

Prepare for plenty of giggles as a kindergarten class arrives for their first day of school, but can't find their teacher--only a delicious-looking sandwich and the words "Mr. S" scribbled on the chalkboard. Chaos ensues as the kids argue whether or not the sandwich must be their teacher.



**Henry Like Always** written by Jenn Bailey and illustrated by Mika Song

Henry likes Classroom Ten. He likes how it is always the same. But this week, Henry's class will have a parade, and a parade means having Share Time on the wrong day. A parade means playing instruments that are too loud. A parade means this week is not like always.



**The Greatest in the World** written and illustrated by Ben Clanton

Rot is a mutant potato who wakes up feeling great, maybe even...the greatest in the world! But that only makes Rot's brother Snot the grumpiest in the world. The only solution? An epic contest to prove who is the greatest once and for all, judged by the only impartial party they can find--their small fry little sister, Tot.



**Evergreen** written and illustrated by Matthew Cordell

Evergreen the squirrel is afraid of many things: thunder, hawks, and the dark paths of Buckthorn Forest. But when her mother tasks Evergreen with delivering soup to her sick Granny Oak, the little squirrel must face her fears and make the journey.



**Our Incredible Library Book** written by Caroline Crowe and illustrated by John Joseph

This is the story of one incredible library book and all the children who've borrowed it. It's been hugged, lost, torn, chewed by a dog and soaked in the rain. It's been read in apartments and in tents, in the park and in the classroom; by children in costumes and pajamas, reading alone or with their friends, their siblings and their parents.



**Carina Felina** written by Carmen Deedy and illustrated by Henry Cole

Carina Felina is an arrogant cat with an appetite so huge that she eats everything and everyone who crosses her path as she ambles through Havana--until a small crab outsmarts her and saves the day.



**Rick the Rock of Room 214** written by Julie Falatko and illustrated by Ruth Chan

Tired of sitting all day on the Nature Finds shelf in Room 214, a rock named Rick escapes the classroom for the great outdoors, only to discover that sometimes the greatest adventure in life is friendship.



**My Pet Feet** written by Josh Funk and illustrated by Billy Yong

After awakening to find that his pet ferret is now pet feet, a budding detective discovers that the letter "R" has disappeared and its absence is causing chaos throughout his town.



**Got Your Nose!** written by Alan Katz and illustrated by Alex Willan

When Grandpa Max plays his favorite prank on Becky, he accidentally takes her nose for real, and the two must chase Becky's nose all over town to get it back.



**The Duck Never Blinks** written and illustrated by Alex Latimer

Can you make a duck blink? Probably not. But you can try, in this irreverent and hilarious staring contest between you and a duck that never, ever blinks.



**Don't Eat Bees: Life Lessons from Chip the Dog** written by Dev Petty and illustrated by Mike Boldt

Chip the dog shares the wisdom of his seven fruitful years of eating things he shouldn't.



**Awesome Orange Birthday** written by Mitali Ruths and illustrated by Aailya Jaleel

Priya Chakraborty plans a birthday party for her first client, Layla Aunty, personalizing everything from the invitations to the menu in Aunty's favorite color, but as party-time finally arrives, Priya is nervous something will go wrong.



**We Are Going to Be Pals** written and illustrated by Mark Teague

A talkative cattle egret explains to a rhinoceros that in addition to having a symbiotic relationship, they also have a friendship built on communication, kindness, and a respect for boundaries.



**Out of the Blue** written by Robert Tregoning and illustrated by Stef Murphy

In a world where only the color blue is allowed, a young boy and his father dare to defy the rules and create a place where every hue is welcome.



**Worm and Caterpillar are Friends** written and illustrated by Kaz Windness

A worm and a caterpillar are best friends and when one of them is about to go through a big change, they both learn what is inside is what counts.





## Sunshine State Young Readers Award Books 2024-25 List for Grades 3-5



### ***The Aquanaut*** by Dan Santat

Five years after her father dies at sea, Sophia is living with her uncle Paul at the Aqualand marine theme park. When she encounters a robotic "aquanaut" breaking into the theme park lab, Sophia is surprised to discover it's piloted by four plucky sea creatures who discovered her father's equipment and journal. They are there to rescue their ocean friends, and Sophia is determined to help them succeed.



### ***The Big Sting*** by Rachele Delaney

Leo, Lizzie, and their parents, extend a family vacation by stopping to visit their Grandpa on his Heron Island, Canada farm. Leo has never met someone so grumpy, but his mother says it's because he's grieving their grandmother, a beekeeper. Leo, who prefers taking risks via video games, rather than in real life, unexpectedly grows closer to his grandfather when he joins Lizzie and him on an adventure to discover the culprit behind grandma's missing beehives.



### ***Bound for Home*** by Meika Hashimoto

After being placed in a foster home with Meili and Jim, Emi is allowed to have a pet and picks out a misbehaving dog named Max who has a tendency to run away. When Emi learns changes will be happening in her family, she decides to run away with Max into the Maine woods outside her home. A stray cat named Red who'd once helped Max return home, decides to go after them and help them both find their way back home.



### ***The Cursed Moon*** by Angela Cervantes

Rafael Fuentes loves ghost stories and scary books, and even is a good tale-teller himself, delighting to scare his friends with stories he makes up on the spot. That is just what Rafa is doing when he makes up the story of the evil ghost known as the Caretaker, who lures kids into his pond never to be seen again. After telling this tale, strange things start happening around him, and Rafa is horrified to find that his story has brought the Caretaker ghost to reality--and it is after him.



### ***Finally Seen*** by Kelly Yang

When ten-year-old Lina Gao leaves China to live with her parents and sister, after five years apart, she must reckon with her hurt, anger, and curiosity and find a way to get her bearings in this new country--and the almost-new family that comes along with it.



### ***The Girl Who Built a Spider*** by George Brewington

After winning the County Science Fair, Theresa Brown, second-place winner Ashley, and third-place winner Jon, garner invitations from local inventor and scientist Dr. Flax to work in his laboratory for the summer and help him build a machine that will solve climate change. Theresa is all-in until she receives a mysterious late-night visit from a boy called Thomas Edison who implores her to help him stop Dr. Flax from creating a machine that will destroy the world.



### ***The Grip*** by Marcus Stroman

Young Marcus Stroman is determined to make it to the highest playing level he can, despite every coach telling him he's not tall enough to become a "real" pitcher. He'll show them...with some struggling and a whole lot of learning.



### ***Home Away from Home*** by Cynthia Lord

Mia is spending her summer with her grandmother in a small Maine town, expecting it to be an oasis of stability in her changing life, but there is a new know-it-all boy next door, and soon she finds herself competing with Cayman in identifying an injured bird of prey--and pretty much everything else.



### ***Manatee Summer*** by Evan Griffith

Peter and his best friend Tommy have big plans before they both enter the sixth grade, namely, to document 100 creatures in their home state of Florida before summer ends. The only two members of their Discovery Club, the boys find a manatee in a river and take on the task of protecting it when they learn it's injured. Their exciting summer turns sour when Peter learns that Tommy will be moving away. Coupled with pressures to care for his ailing grandfather who has Alzheimer's disease, Peter is forced to face the difficulties in his life whether he wants to or not.



### ***Penny Draws: A Best Friend*** by Sara Shepard

Nobody said starting fifth grade would be easy, and Penny Lowry's anxiety means a million questions are always spinning through her thoughts. Luckily she's got a lot to look forward to, like her favorite after-school activity, Art Club, and seeing her best friend Violet again after spending the whole summer apart. The thing is, Violet has been acting weird ever since she got back. She never wants to hang out anymore, says Art Club is for babies, and spends all her time with Riley, the meanest girl in school. Did Penny do something wrong? And if she did, can she undo it?



### ***Future Hero: Race to Fire Mountain*** by Remi Blackwood

Ignored at home, teased at school for liking to draw instead of play sports, young Jarell has never felt a sense of belonging. One day, Jarell discovers a portal in the local barbershop that transports him to a magical world of gods and dangerous creatures, and everyone there believes Jarell is a prophesied hero.



### ***The Shelterlings*** by Sarah Beth Durst

Holly the gray squirrel was meant to be a wizard's familiar, but her only magic capability is to conjure up pastries--tasty, but mostly useless to wizards. Holly lives at the Shelter for Rejected Familiars, until an old friend comes up with an idea for her and the others to cure their supposedly defective magic. Holly and her friends embark on a quest to get ingredients for a special potion that can cure them, but along the way they may just discover their unique magic is just what they need.



### ***Treasure in the Lake*** by Jason Pamment

Friends since grade school, adventurous Iris and homebody Sam, wander together around their small village of Bugden to satisfy Iris' wanderlust. When they happen upon a dry riverbed at the edge of town, they discover an abandoned city that used to be submerged below the water. There they meet a mysterious girl named Lily, who gladly takes them on a tour. However, Sam and Iris have questions about the girl, namely, whether or not she is a ghost and whether or not they can return from wherever she wants to take them.



### ***The Ultimate Goal: The Good Sports League*** by Tommy Greenwald

Ben Cutler loves playing soccer for the Anchovies, a casual recreation league team, and he's really good at it. Then he is recruited for an elite travel team and playing on this team is intense. Although Ben is winning with this team, he's not having fun. Now Ben must make an important decision about his future in soccer.



### ***When Sea Becomes Sky*** by Gillian McDunn

Bex and Davey's summer in the saltmarsh is different this year, thanks to the record-breaking drought. Even the fish seem listless--and each day the water level lowers farther. When they discover a mysterious underwater statue, they're thrilled at the chance to solve the puzzle of its origin. When they learn of a development plan that will destroy their special spot, they'll need to act quickly. Unfortunately, sometimes progress and change happens, whether you're ready or not.