

DEAR PARENTS,

We hope that you will support your student this summer with the ThinkStretch Summer Learning Program. Research out of Johns Hopkins University is conclusive—*all students lose up to 2.6 months of learning if they do not actively engage in summer learning activities.* **Bartonville Grade School** is making a commitment to “Stop Summer Brain Drain!”

Our students (and you!) have worked very hard this school year...please help us help you to keep the learning going! **Bartonville Grade School** is sending home a grade specific Summer Learning Book and a Parent Guide to Summer for each student to complete over the summer. The book meets national standards for learning outcomes by grade and is formatted in a concise and doable workbook. Each week, for 8 weeks, your student will read, complete a writing activity, practice math skills and enjoy a bonus activity.

When school starts again in August, your student will turn in the summer learning book to his/her teacher. Students will receive a bronze medal for completing 4 lessons, a silver medal for 6 lessons and a gold medal for completing 8 lessons.

Thank You for Supporting Our Students!

*Dr. Lan Eberle
Superintendent*

BGS is committed to helping all students succeed! Please help us help your student by creating a summer schedule that includes time for them to work on the ThinkStretch workbook. Review their work and praise their efforts! Parents are KEY to the summer learning program and without your partnership it is not possible. Together we are encouraging you to “Keep it simple, but keep it going!”

For more information please contact:

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**ThinkStretch® Summer Learning Program
Parent/Guardian Permission Slip**

NO, my student will not participate in the BGS ThinkStretch® Summer Learning Program

YES, my student _____ will participate in the BGS ThinkStretch® Summer Learning Program.

Parent/Guardian Name (Printed)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Cell # / Email

Student T-shirt size

My student will attend weekly Wednesday check-ins between the hours of 10am – noon OR 4pm – 6pm at BGS on the following dates:

(Please check preferences for all dates)

Please let us know if you will be on vacation this summer

Dates of vacation: _____

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| <input type="checkbox"/> June 6 | 10am-12 | or | <input type="checkbox"/> June 6 | 4-6pm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> June 13 | 10am-12 | or | <input type="checkbox"/> June 13 | 4-6pm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> June 20 | 10am-12 | or | <input type="checkbox"/> June 20 | 4-6pm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> June 27 | 10am-12 | or | <input type="checkbox"/> June 27 | 4-6pm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> July 11 | 10am-12 | or | <input type="checkbox"/> July 11 | 4-6pm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> July 18 | 10am-12 | or | <input type="checkbox"/> July 18 | 4-6pm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> July 25 | 10am-12 | or | <input type="checkbox"/> July 25 | 4-6pm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> August 1 | 10am-12 | or | <input type="checkbox"/> August 1 | 4-6pm |



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Dear Parent/Guardian:

Bartonville Grade School is committed to providing the best education possible for our students to prepare them for high school and beyond. We know that students will lose some important skills over the summer months. Unfortunately, we cannot offer a true summer school experience. However, we have secured the funding to purchase workbooks for students to take home and complete over the summer. These workbooks will not be available to all students. Your child has been identified as a student who would benefit from an extra boost in skills. We are excited to offer these workbooks to our students free of charge.

ThinkStretch is a summer learning program which includes workbooks, achievement medals, a reading challenge, and a parent guide. It includes reading, writing, math and science. Students will be placed in these workbooks based off of current academic levels. While this may be lower than grade level, we hope that students will strive to progress through the workbooks and advance to grade level expectations. We can offer next grade level workbooks if students complete the workbook assigned.

Parents, we need your help. We ask that you please work to make sure your child(ren) complete these workbooks and bring them to school. We will have weekly check-ins at Bartonville Grade School. Teachers will be on site to help tutor students and check for understanding. These sessions will run on Wednesdays from 10am-2pm or 4pm-6pm. Students need to only attend one session per week. We will offer weekly prizes for those students who check in on Wednesdays. Students who check-in every Wednesday, finish the entire workbook, and return them to the school when school starts in August will not only receive the weekly prizes, but also a ThinkStretch t-shirt, recognition at an all-school assembly in August with a medal presentation, a pizza party, **and** a field trip to the Elevate Trampoline Park in Peoria.

We hope that you take advantage of this wonderful opportunity. We truly feel that this summer program will help our students be more successful in the future. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Thank you,

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