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Summer Reading Matters

We all know how important it is to encourage children to read during the summer.

Studies show that summer reading is critical to help students stay sharp for the upcoming school year. **Students who do not read during the summer can quickly fall behind, losing between one and three months of learning.** Worse, the “Summer Slide” is cumulative, meaning learning losses build up each year.

According to the National Summer Learning Association, the Summer Slide is “**one of the most significant causes of the achievement gap between lower and higher income youth** and one of the **strongest contributors to the high school dropout rate.**”

It's Time to Stop the Summer Slide.

We need your help to stop the Summer Slide in the Volunteer State by encouraging kids to participate in **Tristar Reads, a new summer reading program for students ages 5-18.**

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Students track the hours they spend reading and, at the end of the summer, Tristar Reads will award three \$1,000 scholarships to the students who read the most. A scholarship will be awarded to one child in grades K-5, one child in grades 6-8, and one child in grades 9-12.

Here's How to Participate:

Students can register to participate in Tristar Reads by visiting **www.tristarreads.com**. On the website, they can log their hours and share information about the books they are reading. Students can also keep track of their hours using the enclosed log sheet (also available on the Tristar Reads website) and submit their reading time via e-mail or U.S. Postal Service.

At Tristar Reads, **we want more Tennessee children to discover the joy of reading this summer**. After all, there's no better place to imagine new adventures than in the pages of a good book.

We hope you will share information about this reading program with the students in your life, and encourage them to **visit www.tristarreads.com to sign up** and start reading today!