



Dear Parents,

At Legacy, we believe summer is a time for swimming, relaxing, playing with friends and vacationing. However, during the elementary school years, it is critical that foundational skills such as reading, writing, and math be practiced continuously throughout the summer in order to retain learning. To accomplish this, we post Summer Bridge packets on our website to guide you.

Each Summer Bridge Packet is designed by the Legacy teaching staff with skills specifically designed to “bridge” the summer between each grade level. Although the work is not mandatory, your child will have a tremendous advantage because of skills that are mastered and reinforced through summer practice. Thank you for partnering with us to inspire your children to become college-worthy, character witnesses for Christ.

If you would rather purchase a summer packet we recommend www.summerskills.com. If your student did well academically during this past school year, we recommend purchasing the grade they will be going into for the fall. For ex. *My son just finished 1st grade. I will purchase the book that says “Completed 2nd Grade” for both LA and Math.* You can look at the samples on the website and decide what will be best for your student. Enjoy your summer!

Blessings,

Legacy Preparatory Christian Academy

SUMMER BRIDGE TO 4th GRADE

Reading Log

Find three days each week for your child to spend at least 30 minutes reading independently. Having students read both silently and aloud will develop their fluency, as well as comprehension. Choose chapter books that are on your child's level (see their end of year DRA level). Go to www.arbookfind.com to determine book levels.



SUMMER BRIDGE TO 4th GRADE

Summer Journal



Create a summer journal for your child using a wide ruled spiral notebook or composition notebook. Journaling twice per week is recommended. Encourage your child to begin each sentence with a capital letter, leave a finger space between words, spell words they know correctly, and end each sentence with correct punctuation. This is also a great opportunity to work on neat handwriting.

Your student should utilize sentence and paragraph structure skills that were developed over the course of the previous school year. Review the following parts of speech with your child: noun, pronoun, adjective, adverb, preposition, and object of a preposition. Review the following types of sentences: declarative (a statement), interrogative (a question), exclamatory (ends with an exclamation point), and imperative (a command). Encourage your child to include/identify these parts of speech and types of sentences in their journal entries.

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Fact Practice Log



Have your student spend ten minutes a day, a minimum of two days each week practicing their addition (0 – 10), subtraction (subtract 0 – 10 from 21 and below), and multiplication (0 - 10) facts. Students taking Math 500 should also practice division facts (0 – 10). This can be done any way that you'd like (flash cards, oral practice, online math games, written problems, skip counting, printing worksheets, etc.). Math 400 and 500 rely heavily on the student's ability to recall multiplication facts at a high rate of speed. So, time yourself on those facts!

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Supplemental Math Practice



If your child will be taking Math 400 next school year, purchase a 3rd grade summer math bridge book. If your child will be taking Math 500, purchase a 4th grade summer math bridge book. Choose any style that you feel your child will enjoy. Bridge books can be found at Amazon, Lakeshore Learning, Walmart, etc. Have your child complete pages to review the concepts they learned in 3rd grade and to keep skills fresh.

A great way to get a jump-start on your multiplication facts is to start listening to Rockin' the Standards or similar multiplication tunes. Multiplication facts are part of the required curriculum for Math 400.

Visit the following site and click on the printable study guide for Grade 3 (students taking Math 400) or Grade 4 (students taking Math 500), or access the interactive study guides under the chart. Even though we don't use the TAKS test at Legacy, this site provides great explanations of standard skills taught in 3rd and 4th grade math and will help your child to be prepared for next year's math class.

<http://www.tea.state.tx.us/student.assessment/taks/study-guides/>

Helpful Online Resources:

- All Grade Level Math Skills
www.multiplication.com
- Subtracting to Win a Million
<http://www.quia.com/rr/10279.html>
- Subtraction Machine
<http://www.amblesideprimary.com/ambleweb/mentalmaths/subtractiontest.html>
- Single-Digit Subtraction Game
<http://www.oswego.org/ocsd-web/games/SumSense/sumsub.html>
- Who Wants to be a Mathionaire? (addition facts game)
<http://www.mathsisfun.com/games/mathionaire-addition-quiz.html>
- Basic Facts Math Quizzes
<http://www.kidzone.ws/math/quiz.html>
- Printable Worksheets
<http://www.math-drills.com>
- Spelling Lists
<http://www.spellingcity.com>
- Math and problem solving games, videos, printables
<http://pbskids.org/cyberchase/>
- Science games, current events, videos
<http://kids.discovery.com/>
- Explore world famous museums without leaving home!

<http://www.bestedsites.com/museumlinks.html>

- Tons of games for every topic
<http://www.gamequarium.com/>