

Resources for the Summer

While it is important to take a break from school and enjoy some unstructured time and freedom from schedules and obligations, it is also important to nourish the whole child, and children thrive on routines. Please accept these resources and choose what best suits your family's needs as you enjoy a summer of discoveries and wonder with your child. These are mostly online resources; please remember that reading, creating and spending time together as a family are all valuable opportunities for the healthy growth of your child.

Today, I have done something for:



My Brain



BrainPOP Jr offers over 1,000 short animated movies for K-3 students with quizzes and related materials, covering a variety of subjects.





Discovery Education offers students 1,000s of short movies and activities for students in grades K-12 covering a variety of subjects.





MackinVIA provides easy access to eBooks, read-alongs, audiobooks, databases, and videos. MackinVIA also provides access to **Tumblebooks**.





VocabularySpellingCity is an award-winning, game-based website and app used to build K-12 literacy skills in vocabulary, spelling, phonics, and writing. Educators and families can customize more than 40 engaging activities for students at every learning level, creating their own word lists or using thousands on the site.



AISD Library Databases provide a plethora of online resources that provide vetted, age appropriate, engaging content and activities for students for all grade levels and subjects. Many resources are available in Spanish and a variety of other languages.





Tumblebooks, TumbleMath, Teen Book Cloud (6-12) provide a wealth of online books for students to access and read. Students will find these in the databases menu inside MackinVIA.

video of steps

WIDEOPENSCHOOL

Wide Open School is a free collection of the best online learning experiences for kids curated by the editors at Common Sense.

https://wideopenschool.org/



iStation supports reading comprehension and growth with activities and lessons that measure phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, comprehension, and vocabulary.

Parent Guide Installation Instructions



₩SCHOLASTIC



BookFlix is an exciting online literacy resource that pairs interactive, fictional video storybooks with related nonfiction eBooks.

Bookflix.digital.scholastic.com

User: Learning20 Password: Clifford



Imagine Language & Literacy
is a free personalized reading
instructional program for
English learners & Spanish
learners in DL.





DreamBox is an onlilne math program that is both engaging and proven to boost your child's math performance. Whether your learner is a math whiz or needs to fill in some gaps, the DreamBox platform provides your child with the individualized lessons they need to succeed.





myOn reader personalizes reading for students by recommending books based on their interests, reading level, and ratings of books they've read. Available now through Summer 2020. *Click on the icon for sign-in information.



Storyline Online® streams videos featuring celebrated actors reading children's books alongside creatively produced illustrations.



My Body



GoNoodle's YouTube Channel videos get kids moving to be their strongest, bravest, silliest, smartest, best selves.

Link to YouTube Channel



KidsHealth aims to provide the tools to make the best health choices for you. Doctor-reviewed advice on hundreds of health topics, created just for kids.

KidsHealth.org



Cosmic Kids Yoga & Mindfulness
Youtube channel - Yoga, mindfulness
and relaxation designed specially for kids
aged 3+, used in schools and homes all
over the world.

Link to YouTube Channel





Try a New Recipe!

These links include kid-approved recipes to try at home:

Cooking with Kids

30 Easy Recipes Your Kids Can Make All By Themselves



Get organized and help clean the house!

These links include ideas for how to get kids involved in household chores:

Tips for Getting Organized

<u>Fun House Cleaning Activities for Younger Children</u>

Create a Daily Chore List with Kids



Check out Youtube for even more ways to contribute at home!

You might:

Discover a new recipe Organize your belongings Create a more welcoming space for studying

Remember: Youtube should always be viewed with an adult and/or with an adult's guidance and permission.



My Creativity



Hour of Code activities offers tutorials designed for all ages in over 45 languages.





Tinkercad is an easy-to-use 3D CAD design tool. Quickly turn ideas into a model for a 3D printer. Print out your design when you get back to school!

https://www.tinkercad.com/



Sketch.io is a maker space and drawing platform for online use.

https://sketch.io/



The links below are for various virtual tours:

12 Museums From Around the
World That You Can Visit
Virtually
20 Virtual Field Trips to Take
with Your Kids
Take a virtual field trip via zoo
websites



Chrome Music Lab allows you to create music using a variety of instruments and sounds. Songs can be saved and downloaded.

 $\underline{https://musiclab.chromeexperiments.com}$



Google Arts & Culture is an online platform through which the public can access high-resolution images of artworks housed in museums.

https://artsandculture.google.com/



<u>Musictheory.net</u> offers free music theory lessons and exercises for all levels.



My Earth & Community



NASA STEM Engagement has science, technology, engineering and math activities that are fun for kids, adults and the whole family.

https://www.nasa.gov/stem



National Geographic offers videos, games, and virtual experiences on a variety of topics. Also includes magazines and books for reading.

Students will find these in the databases menu inside MackinVIA.



Austin Public Library

Sign in with your child's Austin Public Library account

OverDrive Kids Ebooks





Austin ISD Sustainability
This year is the 50th
anniversary of Earth Day! Click
HERE to go to the AISD
Sustainability Website and find
fun activities and information!



The Austin Recycles Game

Learn about City of Austin's waste diversion programs in a fun way with our brand new Austin Recycles sorting game.

https://austin.recycle.game/



Explore Live Nature Cams shares live animal cameras, live nature cameras, animal videos, compilation videos, meditation videos and more!

https://explore.org/livecams



My Family and Friends



Use Screen Time to connect with friends and family!

FaceTime, Zoom, Skype or Google Hangout with friends and family from near and far. See if you can play a game with grandparents or extended family. Check in with your community, too. This could be a great way to stay connected with friends from school.



Share what you're reading!

Create a short video "book review" for friends or family members.