

# Frontier Central School District

## Frontier Educational Center

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Dear Frontier Parents/Guardians:

As the last student day for distance learning approaches, we would like to share some of the continued learning opportunities available to your child for the summer. We are beyond grateful for your partnership and extraordinary support over the past three months during this time of distance learning brought about by the COVID-19 closure for schools. We fully recognize the challenges and impact that this has had on our families, and we hope to provide continued opportunities this summer to support those of you who may want to continue adjusted routines with your children.

i-Ready instruction will continue to be available for our K-8 students from June 12th through August 10th. i-Ready online lessons provide our students with instructional activities based on their individual skill level and needs, so your child may continue to learn at the pace that is just right for them. Students may continue to work independently through the instructional pathway they are currently following in both reading and math by simply continuing to access i-Ready through Classlink in Google Chrome. The diagnostic instructional reports in i-Ready will continue to be monitored throughout the summer in order to identify students who may have been locked out of particular domains in reading and in math, and necessary adjustments will be made to ensure that they have continued access. Mathematics Learning Games will be open and available for students to support math fluency, skill development and reinforcement throughout the summer. In the Learning Games suite, K-5 students have access to specific games based on their current grade level. Learning Games should be used to supplement, not replace, existing mathematics instruction, including *i-Ready* Online Instruction.

In order to motivate and inspire our students to continue their skill practice and exposure, we will pull i-Ready reports weekly in order to identify, recognize and celebrate students for both effort (time-on-task) and achievement (lessons passed). In working with our teachers and building administrators, we will link i-Ready summer learning and practice opportunities with building incentives in both reading and math.

**With regard to i-Ready summer participation goals, please note our instructional team recommends that your child should aim for a minimum of 45 minutes of i-Ready Online Instruction per subject (Math and Reading) per week while passing at least 70 percent of lessons. In addition, we also recommend that K-5 students participate in at least 20 minutes of Math Learning Games weekly.** The 45 minutes of instruction may be broken into segments throughout the week. For example, three 15 minute blocks would fulfill the goal.

The third i-Ready diagnostic tests in both reading and math would have been given to students this month as part of our traditional curriculum and assessment under normal circumstances. Clearly, the COVID-19 closure and transition to distance learning prevented us from doing so. Although we did not push the assessment out to all K-8 students, the opportunity to complete the diagnostic assessments with students is available based on parent request. The results of these adaptive assessments would adjust and personalize a student's online learning instruction during the summer. Assessments may be given in multiple sittings and must be completed independently by students without parental input and support with questions. If you would like to explore this option for your child, simply contact me at your convenience. For those who do not take the diagnostic assessment, they will simply continue along their current progression of instruction.

Please note that access to additional technological resources in Classlink will be available from now through August 10th. Available resources include:

Elementary Students	Middle School Students
Brain Pop	Brain Pop
Brain Pop Jr.	Castle Learning
Destiny	Destiny
i-Ready	i-Ready
Discovery Learning	Discovery Learning
World Book	RoboSensei
Google Suite	Google Suite

Additional information and support will be posted under "Summer Practice and Learning" under COVID-19 Resources on our district website ([www.frontiercsd.org](http://www.frontiercsd.org)). If you have questions or experience problems in i-Ready during the summer months, please contact me at either 716-926-1736 or by email ([ldansa@frontiercsd.org](mailto:ldansa@frontiercsd.org)).

Again, we thank you for your partnership and support during this challenging time. I wish you a safe, healthy and peaceful summer.

Yours in Education,



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