



**WILTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
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## Ready-Access Summer Learning

Wilton Public Schools is thrilled to provide all our students an opportunity to sail into the summer - and September - with access to resources and digital tools to fit any student's learning interests. Our "Sail to September" program extends ready-access into the summer. Whether a student is home on a rainy day, needs a great book for a day in the sun, or just wants to practice math, science or technology skills, Wilton Public Schools provides access to meet those needs.

While all our students have access to these resources from home, our students entering Grades 6-8 in September 2018 will also be permitted to take their device home for the summer, providing a great transition to middle school for our 5th graders and ongoing access to their own device through the summer for all students entering 7th and 8th grades. Please note that this does NOT represent required work for the summer (unless specifically requested by a WHS department - check with those departments). The resources can be accessed on our [Sailing into Summer Website](#). Some of the highlights include:

1. **K-12 Summer Reading List** - Recommended list of titles curated by our Library Learning Commons, Wilton Public Library and English Language Arts department staff. In addition, we are providing a district-wide collection of eBooks available through Overdrive for ease of access for students on-the-go during the summer. We do not have requirements (unless indicated by a particular department) - however, we hope that our students will take advantage of the opportunity to enjoy reading. Don't forget the rich programming available at the Wilton Public Library.
2. **Math, Science and Technology Practice** - We've included links to practice sites for a variety of tools for computational thinking, mathematics practice and typing practice.
3. **Rainy Day Making Activities** - Finally - Summer is a great time to try new things, make, create, invent and tinker. We've included links to "Making Resources"

Students entering grades 6-8 (currently grade 5-7 students) will continue to have access to their Chromebooks during the summer. Parents who do not want to have their children take home a chromebook during the summer, please complete this [form](https://goo.gl/forms/hwAEf6TSMiRikHJs1) (<https://goo.gl/forms/hwAEf6TSMiRikHJs1>). All guidelines outlined in the Technology Responsible Use document (AUP) also apply for devices that are taken home for the summer.

The following page includes a checklist for "Caring for your Chromebook" which are the same guidelines enforced throughout this past year with our students, we are providing these to help assist your children over the summer.

Feel free to contact me at [komparf@wiltonps.org](mailto:komparf@wiltonps.org) with any questions. Happy summer!

Sincerely,  
Fran Kompar, Director of Digital Learning and Instructional Technology

## Caring for your Chromebook

### Digital Care

- Chromebooks should be kept away from heat, direct sunlight and water
- Be sure to keep Chromebooks plugged into a surge protector when they are not in use. Lack of charging may result in damage to the battery.
- If the Chromebook is not in use, be sure to turn it on for about 30 minutes each week.

### Digital Safety

- Families should continue to monitor use at home as you did during the school year.
- Passwords should not be shared. Also, a reminder this is a school device, not a personal device; please do not use anyone else's account on the school Chromebook.
- Gaggles monitoring will continue over the summer whenever the students use their Google accounts (on any device).

### Digital Repair

- If your child's chromebook needs repairs please email [summersupport@wiltonps.org](mailto:summersupport@wiltonps.org). Please provide your contact information, issue with the Chromebook and best way to reach you.
- Chromebooks will be repaired as quickly as possible, loaners may be provided while the Chromebook is out for repair.
- Parents should provide their contact information.
- DO NOT attempt to do repairs on your own.

General/Repair Questions: [summersupport@wiltonps.org](mailto:summersupport@wiltonps.org)