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Dear Parents/Guardians:

The Belleville Public Schools wish for our students to enter the new school year in September with a solid foundation of English language arts and mathematics proficiency appropriate to the students' grade levels. In order to minimize the loss of English language arts and mathematical skills and knowledge, the district has Summer Assignments for those students who will be entering grades 1-6 in September.

In an effort to be more environmentally friendly, Belleville Public Schools has decided to utilize technology for the Summer Assignments for students in current grades K-5. This year, the students will be using IXL, and this will be replacing the summer packets that the students had received in years past. All students in grades K-5 currently use IXL for enrichment and reinforcement of lessons in English language arts and mathematics in the classroom.

Current students in grades K-2 will be asked to complete 4 hours of English language arts practice on IXL and 4 hours of mathematics for a total of 8 hours (approximately 1 hour of work per week).

Current students in grades 3-5 will be asked to complete 8 hours of English language arts practice on IXL and 8 hours of mathematics for a total of 16 hours (approximately 2 hours of work per week).

If you or your child should need any technical assistance regarding using IXL, you may reach out to the Belleville Public Schools Technology Department at 973-450-3500 ext. 1094 during normal school hours (8:00am-3:00pm) or you can call IXL support directly at 855-255-6676 or visit them online at www.ixl.com/help. The Belleville Public Library will also be open Monday thru Friday during the summer where your child can use their computers for free in order to complete the assignments.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer.

Educationally,

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