

# ☀ Summer Learning Checklist (Rising to 1st Grade)

*Check off each day or week! Keep it fun and low-pressure.*

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## Reading (Daily – 10–15 min)

- I read a book (or someone read to me)
  - I practiced my sight words
  - I talked about the story (who, what, where)
  - I retold the story (beginning, middle, end)
  - Read 1 scripture each night alone or with a grown-up
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## Math (3–5 times per week)

- I counted to 100 (by 1s, 5s, or 10s)
- I practiced numbers (reading or writing them)
- I solved an addition problem
- I solved a subtraction problem
- I counted objects (toys, snacks, etc.)

## Writing (3–5 times per week)

### I checked my sentence using COPS:

- C** – Capitals (Did I start with a capital letter?)
  - O** – Order of words (Does my sentence make sense, and is it complete?)
  - P** – Punctuation (Did I end with a period, question mark, or exclamation mark?)
  - S** – Spelling (Did I try my best to spell words correctly?)
  - I drew a picture that matched my sentence or story
  - I wrote about my day or something I like
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## Phonics & Word Work (3–5 times per week)

- I practiced letter sounds
  - I blended sounds to read a word (c-a-t → cat)
  - I played a rhyming game
  - I built words with letters (magnetic, paper, etc.)
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## **Shapes & Thinking**

- I found shapes around me
  - I compared sizes (big/small, longer/shorter)
  - I built something (blocks, Legos, etc.)
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## **Fine Motor & Creativity**

- I colored or drew
  - I used scissors
  - I played with playdough or built something
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## **Life Skills**

- I followed directions
  - I cleaned up after myself
  - I shared or took turns
  - I tried my best!
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## **Weekly Goal**

- I completed at least 4–5 days of practice this week!



# Rising 1<sup>st</sup> Graders

Have fun learning this summer!

## Learning Apps

- [Starfall](#) and [ABCya](#): You can use these apps for learning fun. Use the free sections of the app.
- [Pinterest](#): Bible Scavenger Hunt ideas. This will provide a fun family activity that is Bible - based.

## Local Fun

- [Metro Parks](#): Visit one of the many parks in Columbus. You can plan [activities](#) and see the dates that are [listed](#). You can adjust your search to a specific park, age, day of the week, etc.
- [Slate Run Living Historical Farm](#):: Go back in time to life in the 1880's and walk inside an old-fashioned farmhouse, play games and see animals such as horses, cows, sheep, pigs and chickens.

## Local Activities

- [Bowl for Free](#): Sign your kids up for 2 free games of bowling each day at specific bowling alleys in Columbus such as Gahanna Lanes and Holiday Lanes. Read more about [FREE Daily Bowling for Kids](#).
- [Home Depot Kids Workshop](#): Kids get a kit with instructions and materials to assemble a wooden craft. They earn pins for their apron for each new craft they make. (first Saturday of every month 9-12).

- **Columbus Metropolitan Library:** Check out the [Summer Reading Challenge](#) to win prizes for reading June – July. They also host free summer meals, programs for teens, kindergarten readiness, family and sensory story times. Check out the [Events Page](#) to find events and resources at your local branch.
- **[Columbus Public Library Culture Pass](#):** provides free admission to a number of local attractions such as the Columbus Zoo, Franklin Park Conservatory; Ohio History Museum; CAPA Summer Movie Series; Columbus Children’s Museum; Dawes Arboretum; and National Veteran’s Memorial and Museum; Must reserve with Library Card.
- **[Community Days at Franklin Park Conservatory](#):** The first Sunday of every month residents of Columbus and Franklin County receive free general Admission with proper ID. This includes access to the entirety of the Gardens, collections and current daytime exhibitions. This is an opportunity for the whole family to bond and learn.

- **[Book It Program sign up](#):** During the summer months of June, July, and August, any child that meets their parent-set reading goals can earn a free Pizza Hut® single topping Personal Pan Pizza®\* from participating locations.
- **[Movies at the Commons - Columbus Commons](#):** The Columbus Commons has a free summer movie series – Classic Flicks Under the Stars. No ticket is required and it includes free popcorn while supplies last. Grab your lawn chairs, blankets and bring your whole family for a movie night. Movies are on select Fridays – click on the link for the schedule.
- Make sure to take time regularly in prayer, reading your bible, and going to church services each week! Try a local VBS or summer camp!

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