St. Michael's Academy 2026-2027

STUDENTS ENTERING 4th GRADE

FRECKLE

At St. Michael's Academy, we encourage students to keep their minds active through both reading and math practice. Reading opens the door to new ideas, strengthens communication skills, and fosters imagination, while mathematics develops critical thinking, logical reasoning, problem-solving abilities, and strategic thinking skills that are essential for future success.

This summer, all SMA students are encouraged to read for at least **15 minutes each day** and use the attached reading log to track their progress. Students may also access **Freckle Reading** throughout the summer to reinforce important literacy skills. While these reading activities are optional, regular reading helps students maintain the academic growth achieved during the school year and prepares them for a strong start in the fall.

In addition, all students are required to participate in **Ms. Dougal's Summer Math Challenge** by completing their grade-level assigned number of math minutes through **Freckle Math**. Progress will be tracked from **Wednesday, June 17, through Friday, August 14**. Consistent practice in both reading and math helps students retain important skills, build confidence, and return to school ready for success. We wish all of our SMA families a safe, enjoyable, and enriching summer!

***Please remember to complete the provided activity log and return it to school on the first day.

FRECKLE REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADE 4

Fourth grade teachers require students to spend a total of 160 minutes in Math activities over the summer. This averages out to about 20 minutes per week. Appropriate activities are available upon student login.

SUPPLY LIST

For the Classroom:

- ❒ 4 reams copy paper
- ❒ 4 rolls of paper towels
- ❒ 6 boxes of tissues
- ❒ 2 containers of handi/baby wipes
- ❒ 2 containers of disinfectant wipes
- ❒ 6 packages of sharpened pencils
- ❒ 1 package of thin dry erase markers
- ❒ 6 glue sticks

Individual Supplies:

- ❒ 6 two pocket **PLASTIC** folders
- ❒ 2 one subject notebooks
- ❒ 1 composition notebook
- ❒ 1 zippered pencil pouch
- ❒ 1 pair of scissors
- ❒ 1 glue stick
- ❒ 1-2 highlighters
- ❒ 1-2 thin dry erase markers
- ❒ 1 sketchpad (for Art class)
- ❒ 1 24 ct or less washable watercolor paints palette (for Art class)
- ❒ 1 24 ct or less colored pencils (for Art class)
- ❒ 1 24 ct or less crayons (for Art class)
- ❒ 1 24 ct or less markers

SUMMER READING – Over the summer we recommend that your child read on their own. Below is a list of titles and or authors your child might enjoy. While the reading of books is not mandatory, students who read at least 1 book and complete the appropriate book report form will receive additional credit in Reading during the first quarter.

*	Applegate, Katherine	The One and Only Ivan
	Barretta, Gene	Lincoln and Kennedy: A Pair to Compare
*	Blume, Judy	Freckle Juice
	Brown, Tricia	Bobbie the Wonder Dog: a true story
*	Byars, Betsy	Tornado
*	Catling, Patrick Skene	The Chocolate Touch
	Cleary, Beverly	Muggie Maggie
*	Clements, Andrew	Frindle
*	Davies, Jacqueline	The Lemonade War
	DiCamillo, Kate	Because of Winn-Dixie
*	Fleming, Candace	Boxes for Katje
*	Green, John Patrick	InvestiGators
*	Kelly, Erin Entrada	The First State of Being
*	Manes, Stephen	Be a Perfect Person in Just Three Days
	Orr, Wendy	Nim's Island
	Pennypacker, Sara	Clementine
	Scieszka, Jon	Knights of the Kitchen Table
	Tarshis, Lauren	I Survived The Great Molasses Flood, 1919
*	Vernick, Audrey	Brothers at Bat: The True Story of an Amazing All-Brother Baseball Team
*	Warner, Gertrude	Boxcar Children (Book #1)
	Winter, Jonah	You Never Heard of Sandy Koufax?!

*Indicates tentative Battle of the Books list for the 2026-2027 school year

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SUMMER MATH REVIEW

- Add whole numbers up to thousands place with regrouping. *(Ex. 1)*
- Subtract whole numbers to thousands place, including subtracting across zeros. *(Ex. 2)*
- Rounding numbers up to thousands place. Ex: round 6971 to thousands place = 7,000. Round 6971 to tens place = 6,970.
- Write numbers to thousands place using standard form, expanded form, and word form. Ex. 1671, 1000+600+70+1, one thousand, six hundred seventy-one.
- Read, write, and show time on an analog (face) clock.
- Review value of all money and counting back change.
- Addition and subtraction facts 0-20 - **Mastered**
- Multiplication and Division facts 0-12 – **Mastered**

Ex 1:

6073
+8319

Ex 2:

6009	5623
-4138	-2179

PLEASE NOTE

- Please bring all supplies to school on Parent Orientation night, Wednesday, September 2nd (6pm) or during the first week of school.
- Students are **NOT** allowed to use white-out for correction at any time.
- Replacement supplies may be requested throughout the year as needed.

4th GRADE FICTIONAL BOOK REPORT

Name _____

Title:	Pages:
Author	Setting:
Illustrator:	Theme:
Main Characters:	

Summary (Hint: Who, What, Where, When, Why, How)

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Color the bar graph to rate this book.

Scale 1-10

1=Terrible, 5=Neutral, 10=Awesome

Characters • Were they interesting? • Did you want to read more about them?	**Plot** • Was it exciting? • Did it hold your interest?	**Conclusion** • Was the ending what you imagined?	**Overall Rating** • Would you suggest this book to your friends or a stranger?
10	10	10	10
9	9	9	9
8	8	8	8
7	7	7	7
6	6	6	6
5	5	5	5
4	4	4	4
3	3	3	3
2	2	2	2
1	1	1	1

Reading Log

Date	Activity	Start-End Time	Total

Freckle Log

Date	Activity	Start-End Time	Total