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Dear Watertown Families,

There are many opportunities available this summer to help your children stay nimble and fresh with their math skills!



1. **Watertown Summer Math Fun** packet will be available by June 22nd for students entering 3rd through 6th grade. Just go to your child's school's home page, or the district homepage and click on the packet for the grade your child will be entering in the fall. Then, download and print! There are also other summer possibilities on the district website. Follow the link for more information.

http://www.watertownps.org/departments/K_6_mathematics

Extra copies of the packets will be available at the main office of your child's school if you do not have access to the internet or a printer.

As you will see, the format of the work packet is in a calendar design. The reason for this is that working on problems continually throughout the summer instead of just before school will help maintain the mathematical concepts and skills from the prior year.

When the packet is complete, please sign the contract on the front page. Then return the signed slip to the new teacher in the fall. Slips are due by **September 14th**.

2. **ReflexMath.com** is available all summer long for students entering grades 2 through the summer following fifth grade. Reflex is a game based online resource that helps students of all ability levels to develop fluency with their basic facts. Having fluency with basic facts frees your children up to solve more complicated and challenging math problems. To continue using Reflex this summer, follow the steps below:

- Using an Internet connected computer with Flash Player 10.1 (or higher) installed, type in this web address: <http://www.reflexmath.com>
- Click on the Launch button in the upper right corner
- Enter the current teacher's username
- Click on the appropriate class (if applicable)
- Click on your child's name.
- Enter your child's password.

And don't forget to try and get the **green light** at least 3 times a week!

3. **The Commissioner's Summer Math Challenge** is a free online summer math skills maintenance program for students entering grades 2 – 8. It is designed to help students retain math skills learned during the previous school year. To register, go to quantiles.com/summer-math to enroll your child. Daily emails with fun math activities and resources will be sent straight to your inbox all summer long!

While it is not necessary to do all of these activities, it is important to continue engaging in math based activities on a regular basis. Just a few minutes a day doing math will help your child start the next school year on the right foot!

Have a great summer! See you in the fall!