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Dear Students and Parents,

Each student entering 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade is required to complete one writing assignment during the summer based on a non-fiction book. This piece of writing will be reflective of the **non-fiction book** the student selects as part of the summer reading requirement. Completed writing assignments will be turned in to the homeroom teacher by **Friday, August 20th** and will be utilized as part of an in-class activity. Please reference the specific grade level requirements below.

### **Rising 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade**

One well developed paragraph that includes:

- One well-written topic sentence
- Three detailed, supporting sentences
- One concluding sentence that rephrases the topic sentence or summarizes the paragraph

### **Rising 4<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Two well-developed paragraphs that include:

- One well-written topic sentence for each paragraph
- Four detailed, supporting sentences for each paragraph
- One concluding sentence that rephrases the topic sentence or summarizes the paragraph

### **Rising 5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Three well-developed paragraphs that include:

- One well-written topic sentence for each paragraph
- Four detailed, supporting sentences for each paragraph
- One concluding sentence that rephrases the topic sentence or summarizes the paragraph