

AMANI PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

Summer Learning Packet

SY 2026–2027 · Incoming 5th & 6th Graders

Dear Families,

Welcome to Amani Public Charter School! Over the summer, a little reading and math practice each week goes a long way — it helps scholars keep their skills sharp and start the new year with confidence.

This packet is meant to be light and easy to fit into your summer — not a second job for you or your scholar. A few minutes a day is all it takes.

Reading

Aim for at least 20 minutes of reading a day — any book your scholar enjoys counts!

Free books & library resources

- **Mount Vernon Public Library** — free library card and summer reading programs for kids and teens
- **Westchester Library System** — borrow from any library in the county with one card
- **Libby** — free ebooks and audiobooks with your library card, right on your phone
- **Common Sense Media Book Lists** — age-appropriate book picks by grade and interest

This summer, try to:

- Read a book of your choice — fiction or nonfiction, at or above grade level
- Talk about what you're reading with a family member
- Write a few sentences about your favorite part, or a letter to the author

Book recommendations

Rising 5th Grade	Rising 6th Grade
• New Kid by Jerry Craft	• Trash by Andy Mulligan
• Harbor Me by Jacqueline Woodson	• A Wrinkle In Time by Madeleine L'Engle
• The First Rule of Punk by Celia C. Pérez	• Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson

Math

Just 10 minutes a day of fact practice builds real confidence for the new school year.

Free websites for practice

- **XtraMath** — adaptive fact fluency practice, with progress reports
- **Multiplication.com** — multiplication games and timed drills
- **Math Playground** — fact fluency and problem-solving games
- **Arcademics** — fast-paced, competitive math fact games

Before entering 5th or 6th grade, scholars should feel comfortable adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing multi-digit numbers, and solving multi-step word problems. A little daily fact practice keeps those skills sharp.

Supply List

Grade 5	Grade 6
1 box colored pencils	1 box colored pencils
1 box markers	1 box markers
3 erasers	3 erasers
1 pack glue sticks	1 pack glue sticks
2 black Expo dry-erase markers	2 black Expo dry-erase markers
1 pack multicolored Expo dry-erase markers	1 pack multicolored Expo dry-erase markers
5 packs pencils	5 packs pencils
2 boxes tissues	3 boxes tissues
1 bottle hand sanitizer	2 bottles hand sanitizer
2 containers Lysol or Clorox wipes	3 containers Lysol or Clorox wipes
3 packs Post-it notes (not Super Sticky)	3 packs Post-it notes (not Super Sticky)
20 manila folders	20 manila folders
1 pack of 24 Crayola crayons	1 pack of 24 Crayola crayons
5 wide-ruled composition notebooks (black) — labeled	5 wide-ruled composition notebooks (black) — labeled
1 box blue pens — labeled	1 box blue pens — labeled
4 plastic pocket folders — labeled	4 plastic pocket folders — labeled
1 pack highlighters (5+) — labeled	1 pack highlighters (5+) — labeled
1 small pencil sharpener — labeled	1 small pencil sharpener — labeled
1 pencil case — labeled	1 pencil case — labeled
2 packs large index cards (4x6) — labeled	2 packs large index cards (4x6) — labeled

Thank you for partnering with us this summer. We can't wait to see you in the fall!

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