

We are so proud of what our secondary students have accomplished this year in their English language arts and math classes. To continue growing as learners, participation in the Secondary Summer Reading and Secondary Summer Math Programs is encouraged.

Secondary Summer Reading Program (6-12)

The Power of 20

The only way to become a better reader is to spend time reading! Over the summer, many students experience the “summer slide,” which can rob from the academic gains the previous year. Students who do not read over the summer can lose more than two months of reading achievement. Unfortunately, summer reading loss is cumulative. Summer doesn’t have to equate to the “slide”—**Reading for only 20 minutes a day exposes students to 1.8 million words a year translating into high levels of success in school in all content areas.**

All secondary students are encouraged to harness the **Power of 20** by reading for twenty minutes every day.

CORE RESOURCES:

Open eBooks

Open eBooks is a library containing thousands of popular and award-winning titles that are free for children. These eBooks can be read without checkouts or holds. The goal of Open eBooks is to encourage a love of reading and serve as a gateway to children reading even more often, whether in school, at libraries, or through other eBook reading resources. All Crosby ISD students have access to free e-books through the Open eBooks app. Families are encouraged to help their students select independent reading titles.

1. Download the Open eBooks app
2. Select login with Clever: 1. Type the name of your school 2. Login using Active Directory
(USERNAME: 00lunchnumber@students.crosbyisd.org
PASSWORD: Students will use their network password)

Istation

Students **entering grades 7—9** (who were enrolled in CISD for the 2021-2022 school year) can also continue to work in Istation Reading. Students should log in with Clever to access Istation.

OTHER SUMMER READING/ELA RESOURCES

HCPL/Edith Fae Cook Cole Branch:

<https://www.hcpl.net/branch/crosby-edith-fae-cook-cole-branch-library>

Khan Academy:

<https://www.khanacademy.org/ela>

<https://www.khanacademy.org/sat>

TSIA 2:

<https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/students/prepare-for-accuplacer/tsia-texas-success-initiative-assessment>

Need Help?

Contact one of the following if you need help accessing Open eBooks or Istation:

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Secondary Summer Math Programs (6-8) and (9-12)

Grades 6-8

To help nurture growth and keep prepared for next school year, students should continue practicing math skills and problems using IXL.

Go to the Crosby ISD website (www.crosbyisd.org), click on STUDENTS, and then scroll down to log into CLEVER with your username and password:

username—00lunchnumber@students.crosbyisd.org

Students will use their network password.

Click the green IXL icon to open the app on your iPad and look at the bottom of the screen and click on the word Diagnostic, then “Enter your diagnostic arena.” (If on a computer, after logging in, look at the green bar at the top of the webpage and click on the word Diagnostic, then click “Step into the arena.”

After taking the initial assessment (can be resumed over multiple sessions), students can continue practicing with the recommended lessons.

Answering at least 20 questions per week in IXL can help keep students’ math skills strong and close gaps in learning.

More information is available on the [CISD website](#).

Contact Mr. Gerard Kwiatkowski if you have any questions or need help logging in! gkwiatkowski@crosbyisd.org

Grades 9-12

Summer is the perfect time to prepare for high school math and college-readiness tests. Incoming 9th and 10th graders will continue to have access to IXL (see above for login information).

Depending on their 10-12 grade level, students aspiring to go to college will take the PSAT10, SAT, and TSIA2 tests at Crosby High School to indicate progress toward college readiness.

To prepare for the PSAT10 and SAT, please go to [Khan Academy’s official SAT Practice](#) and create an account. The College Board recommends at least 20 hours of practice.

To prepare for the TSIA2 math test, please sign up for the [FREE web-based study app](#). Click on Get the Study App, create an account, and choose Texas Success Initiative 2.0. Students should take the test several times to get familiar with the tested content.

Contact Dr. Brenda Aleman if you have questions or need help setting up your accounts! baleman@crosbyisd.org