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## **BCPS offers student-guided Summer Learning Hike**

Online learning opportunity open to BCPS students through Friday, August 20!

TOWSON, MD. – Baltimore County Public Schools students are encouraged to keep reading and learning all summer. Through the Summer Learning Hike, BCPS students can access free, personalized virtual learning opportunities through Friday, Aug. 20.

"We hope our students will learn in multiple ways this summer – by reading, interning, working, creating, exploring, and taking advantage of the Summer Learning Hike" said BCPS Superintendent Dr. Darryl L. Williams. "The Summer Learning Hike is designed to be an engaging and enjoyable way to reinforce classroom learning from the past academic year and prepare students for the work they will face next school year."

The Summer Learning Hike is optional, and no grades will be assigned. Hikers simply need to use their student login at My Apps, and select the online program(s) for their grade level. Students selected for traditional Summer School programs are also welcomed to join the Summer Learning Hike.

Customized hikes, which are available in a variety of languages for most grade levels, include:

- For students who were enrolled in BCPS Preschool or PreKindergarten during the 2020-2021 school year: ABC Mouse
- For students entering Grades 1-5 during the 2021-2022 school year: Raz-Plus (for reading) and
  First in Math
- For students entering Grades 6-12: **Apex Tutorials** (reading and math)

The Summer Learning Hike is student-directed, but BCPS teachers will be available on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays to answer questions. To access, students should <u>use their student login at</u>

<u>Google Meet</u>, using meeting code slhbcps. Assistance will be available from 9 - 11:30 a.m. for students entering up to Grade 5, and from 12:30 - 3 p.m. for students entering Grades 6 - 12.

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