



# My Summer BUCKET LIST

25 things to do this summer!

**Be sure to wear sunscreen and drink plenty of water  
for all outdoor activities!**

**Middle School grades 6-8**

**These are activities you can do this summer to make learning fun!**

The three items noted with **red** bullets are **required** activities to be completed by students and returned to teachers at the start of the new school year. Please refer to the Summer Learning Letter for more information.

- ❖ Visit the **Fall River library** and borrow a book on a topic that interests you or from the suggested book list on the FRPS webpage. Keep a journal and record at least 5 entries as you progress through the book **and** do a creative project to illustrate the topic or story you read (poster, video) to share in September.
- ❖ Read “**Hands Across Fall River – A History Resource Book**”. You can access it online for free here: <http://lafayetteturfeehouse.org/assets/hands-across-fall-river.pdf> Make a timeline sequencing 10 important events or facts in Fall River history. Write a couple of sentences for each event on your timeline and be sure to include details. Include at least 3 important people on your timeline.
- ❖ Design 8-10 different paper airplanes and give each plane a name. Go outside with the planes and a measuring tape or a ruler. From the same spot, throw and measure each plane three times. Write down the three measurements for each plane and determine the average flight measurement of each plane. (Add all three measurements for each plane together and divide by 3 to find the average.) Go to the free website, **Create A Graph**, <https://nces.ed.gov/nceskids/createagraph/> to transfer the average flights of your planes to one of the various graphs, print and bring to school on the first day.
- Visit the **Battleship Cove** for free on Friday, July 6<sup>th</sup>. This is an amazing place to visit. Learn about all the battleship conflicts and sacrifices the soldiers and sailors made. They were not much older than you!
- Take a walk along **Fall River’s boardwalk**! You can walk from **Battleship Cove to Bicentennial Park** and watch the boats sail on the Taunton River. Take selfies with the World War II Memorial Monument and all of the battleships and use our hashtag #FRPSSummerFun to post on our Facebook and Twitter page!
- Visit the **Regiment Training Center**, 657 Quarry Street in Fall River for free at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, July 13<sup>th</sup> for a one hour boxing and fitness class! Get in shape and have fun doing it!!
- Visit the **New Bedford Whaling Museum** for free on Friday, July 20<sup>th</sup>. They have a giant skeleton of a whale! Learn everything about North American Whaling! Check out their website at <https://whalinghistory.org>
- Clean out a closet or storage space and donate items to a local shelter. See if you can get friends to pitch in as well. Donate your items to the Salvation Army of Fall River, 290 Bedford Street.
- Start a collection of anything that interests you! You can collect rocks, shells, baseball cards, music, bottle caps, comic books, dry flowers, fishing lures, etc. Look them up online. This could be the start of something big!

- Eat Popsicles! Take a selfie of you and a family member or a friend eating popsicles on a hot day and post the picture using #FRPSSummerFun on our Fall River Public School Facebook or Twitter page!
- Go Stargazing! On a clear night look up at the stars and see if you can find the brightest star in the sky. Visit this website to learn about the universe, watch videos and play cool games! <https://kidsastronomy.com>
- Take a hike on the **Quequechan River Rail Trail** and find something cool and interesting! Take a picture or draw a sketch of it then write a couple of sentences about why it interests you. It could be a plant or flower, a turtle, swan, frog, bird or even a bug! Look here for places where you can start your hike on the rail trail:  
[www.facebook.com/Quequechanriverrailtrail/](http://www.facebook.com/Quequechanriverrailtrail/) or [www.arrtinc.org/map/Index.cfm?project=Quequechan](http://www.arrtinc.org/map/Index.cfm?project=Quequechan)
- Go bowling! It's fun and good exercise! Play 3 games, add your scores together and divide the total by 3 to get your bowling average! Join a league on Saturday mornings. You'll have fun and make new friends!
- Do a fun science experiment! You can amaze your friends and family with a cool experiment found on this website <http://redtri.com/classic-science-experiments/slide/1>
- Do a craft, be creative! There are so many craft ideas on this website that you can do alone, with family or a friend. [www.happinessishomemade.net/quick-easy-kids-crafts-anyone-can-make/](http://www.happinessishomemade.net/quick-easy-kids-crafts-anyone-can-make/)
- Do Star Jumps! Jump up with your arms and legs spread out like a star. Do 10, rest and repeat 3 times!
- Do Crazy 8's! Do 8 Star Jumps, 8 Jumping Jacks, 8 High Knees, and 8 Side Kicks.
- Play Frisbee! You can play Frisbee virtually anywhere outside during a barbecue or at the beach!
- Visit the **Lafayette-Durfee House** at 94 Cherry St. in Fall River in August for free to learn some Fall River history. If you can't visit, watch the tour on video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=henQsuQrtgY>  
Write about something that really interested or surprised you during the tour.
- Play Catch or Shoot Hoops! Grab any ball and play catch with a family member or friend or go to the park and shoot some hoops.
- Play your favorite song and make up a dance, or a fitness routine or a music video!
- Be a food critic! Go to a restaurant or after eating your next meal at home, write a YELP review. See an example here: <https://www.yelp.com/biz/somerset-creamery-somerset?osq=somerset+creamery>
- Ask family or friends some really good questions today. You never know what you might learn! For example you could ask: What was your favorite game when you were growing up?, Where is your favorite place to go and why?, What kind of music do you like best?, What is the last thing you read?
- Bake cookies! Find a cookie recipe in a book or online. Double the recipe! Write down the new recipe with the new measurements for each ingredient. Bring the new recipe to school to share with your teacher.
- Visit the beach, pool, splash pads or set up a hose in your back yard. Whatever you do to stay cool this summer be safe, stay healthy and have a great time!**

**If you would like to post pictures on our Facebook or Twitter page use the hashtag  
#FRPSSummerFun**