

# Summertime Reading



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Over and over again, teachers have told us: “We’d like to hear from you in the summer.” More specifically, “Why don’t you publish in summertime? That’s when we actually have time to read!”

So, I’m delighted to announce that we are going to do exactly that. In early July, we’ll mail our first-ever summer issue of *The Science Teacher*.

I have been talking with teachers for decades and one telling detail that stands out from all those conversations is that you and your colleagues are very busy—a truth that becomes ever more real as educational challenges mount with each passing year. The chief reason we publish this journal is to help you balance your busy life—to help you meet classroom challenges head-on and keep up with your colleagues and with national trends in education.

From your feedback, we’ve learned you do much of your planning over the summer—those precious months when you actually have time to read and think. We hope the summer issue will be a big help as you look ahead to the fall—bringing you plenty of worthwhile ideas and practical help in being the best (and, almost inevitably, the busiest) you can be.

One thing, though: We’d like to mail the summer issue to your home—so we need *your* help in making sure we’ve got your current home address. Your options for submitting a home address can be found in the box below. Of course, if you’d like to receive your summer issue at your usual mailing address, there is no need to take any action.

We hope this issue will provide you with the tools, support, and inspiration you’ll need to meet the challenges of a new school year!

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