

2022 Middle School & High School Summer Reading Lists

Middle School Grades 6 – 8

Students may be required to read three books: one required book, one fiction and one non-fiction book from their respective grade lists below.

At the beginning of the school year, students will complete graded assignments related to their summer reading as directed by their respective English teachers. These assignments will include both a written and an oral component.

Students are encouraged to read additional books based on their grade level once they satisfy their requirement.

6th grade		
Required Book	Text	Author
	I Am Malala	Malala Yousafzai (Nonfiction, Standard Version)
Fiction Book	The King of Shadows	Susan Cooper
	Maniac Magee	Jerry Spinelli
	The Crossover	Kwame Alexander
	Heart of a Samurai	Margi Preus
	The Teacher's Funeral: A Comedy in Three Parts	Richard Peck
	Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIHM	Robert C. O'Brien
	Peak	Roland Smith
	When My Name Was Keoko	Linda Sue Park
	The Seer of Shadows	Avi

	Throwing Heat	Fred Bowen
	Powerless	Matthew Cody
	The London Eye Mystery	Siobhan Dowd
	Mockingbird	Kathryn Erskine
	Bound	Donna Jo Napoli
	How To Get Rich in the California Gold Rush	Tod Olson
	Off to Be the Wizard	Scott Meyer
	The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe	C.S. Lewis (Series)
	City of Ember	Jeanne DuPrau
	Black Stallion	Walter Farley
Non-Fiction Book	Tracking Trash	Loree Griffin Burns
	Hana's Suitcase	Karen Levine
	Boy of the Painted Cave	Justin F. Denzel
	Ancient China by Arthur Cotterell Stranger on the Silk Road: A Story of Ancient China	Jessica Gunderson
	Legacies from Ancient Rome	Anita Ganeri
	At Her Majesty's Request: An African Princess in Victorian England	Walter Dean Myers
	Lincoln's Grave Robbers	Steve Sheinkin
	All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys' Soccer Team	

7th grade		
Required Book	Text	Author
	Towers Falling	Jewell Parker Rhoades (978-0316262224)
Fiction Book	Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry	Mildred D. Taylor
	Divergent	Veronica Roth (Series)
	Treasure Island	Robert Louis Stevenson
	Things Not Seen	Andrew Clements
	The Call of the Wild	Jack London
	Little Women	Louisa May Alcott
	Ender's Game	Orson Scott Card (Series)
	The Three Musketeers	Alexandre Dumas
	The Hobbit	J.R.R. Tolkien
	The Fault in Our Stars Paper Towns	John Green
	Twenty-thousand Leagues Under the Sea	Jules Verne
	The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy	Douglas Adams
	The Door in the Wall	Marguerite De Angeli
	The Kite Rider	Geraldine McCaughrean
	Killing Mr. Griffin	Lois Duncan (978-1561373437)
	A Long Walk to Water	Linda Sue Parks (978-1432875923)
	Walk Two Moons	Sharon Creech (978-0064405171)
A Thousand Beginnings and Endings	ed. Ellen Oh and Elsie Chapman (978-0062671158)	

	Unbroken: 13 Stories Starring Disabled Teens	ed. Marieke Nijkamp (978-0374306502)
Non-Fiction Book	Snow Falling in Spring	Moying Li
	How Rome Fell: Death of a Superpower	Adrian Goldsworthy
	The Life of the Prophet Muhammad	Leila Azzam
	Aztecs and Maya: What Life was Like for Ancient Civilizations in Central America	Fiona MacDonald
	Machu Picchu: The Story of the Amazing Incas and Their City in the Clouds	Elizabeth Mann
	The Notorious Benedict Arnold: A True Story of Heroism, Adventure and Treachery	Steve Sheinkin
	The President Has Been Shot: The Assassination of JFK	James L. Swanson
	Red Scarf Girl: A memoir of the Cultural Revolution	Ji-li Jiang and David Henry Hwang
	Silent Spring	Rachel Carson

8th grade		
Required Book	Text	Author
	There is no required text this academic year	
Fiction Book	Fallen Angels	Walter Dean Myers
	The Help	Kathryn Stockett
	My Sister's Keeper	Jodi Picoult
	Gulliver's Travels	Jonathon Swift
	Snow Bound	Harry Mazer
	Girl in Blue	Ann Rinaldi
	I Am the Cheese	Robert Cormier

	Jurassic Park	Michael Crichton
	The Good Earth	Pearl S. Buck
	Killer Angels	Michael Shaara
	A Rose for Melinda	Lurlene McDaniels
	Monster	Walter Dean Myers
	The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Creating Currents of Electricity and Hope	William Kamkwamba and Brian Mealer
	Going Bovine	Libba Bray
	A Separate Peace	John Knowles
	Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet	Jamie Ford
	Tiger Moon	Antonia Michaelis
	Sarah's Key	Tatiana DeRosnay
	Looking for Alaska	John Green
	Maggot Moon	Sally Gardner
	Navigating Early	Clare Vanderpool
	War of the Worlds	H.G. Wells
Non-Fiction Book	Chew On This: Everything You Don't Want to Know about Fast Food	Eric Schlosser & Charles Wilson
	An American Plague: The True and Terrifying Story of the Yellow Fever Epidemic of 1793	Jim Murphy
	Chasing Lincoln's Killer: The Search for John Wilkes Booth	James L. Swanson
	Claudette Colvin: Twice Towards Justice	Phillip Hoose
	Enrique's Journey: The Story of a Boy's Odyssey to Reunite With His Mother	Sonia Nazario
	Farewell to Manzanar	Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston

	Guts: The True Stories Behind Hatchet and the Brian Books	Gary Paulsen
	The Nazi Hunters: How a Team of Spies and Survivors Captured the World's Most Notorious Nazi	Neal Bascomb
	This Star Won't Go Out: The Life and Words of Esther Grace Earl	Esther, Lori & Wayne Earl
	Women of the Frontier: 16 Tales of Trailblazing Homesteaders	Brandon Marie Miller

High School Summer Reading List

All rising freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors are required to read one fiction book from the texts listed below.

At the beginning of the school year, students in all grades and on all levels will be assigned work related to their summer reading as directed by their respective English teachers. Those assignments during the first month of the new school year may, at the teacher's discretion, have a written and/or an oral component.

9th Grade	
Title	Author
The House on Mango Street	Sandra Cisneros
Arabian Nights	Zipes
All Quiet on the Western Front	Erich Remarque
Crick Crack Monkey	Merle Hodge
War of the Worlds	H. G. Wells
Cry the Beloved Country	Alan Patton
Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime	Mark Haddon
1984	George Orwell
The Bean Trees	Barbara Kingsolver
The Murder on the Orient Express	Agatha Christie
Reaching for the Moon	Katherine Johnson, Heather Alicia Simms, et al
On Writing	Stephen King

10th Grade	
Title	Author
Jane Eyre	Charlotte Bronte

The Color Purple	Alice Walker
A Tale of Two Cities	Charles Dickens
Of Mice and Men	John Steinbeck

11th Grade

Title	Author
The Joy Luck Club	Amy Tan
My Antonia	Willa Cather
A Lesson Before Dying	Ernest J. Gaines
Things Fall Apart	Chinua Achebe
Out of Africa	Karen Blixen
Into Thin Air	Jon Krakauer

12th Grade

Title	Author
The Alchemist	Paul Coelho
A Room with a View	E. M. Forster
This Side of Paradise	F Scott Fitzgerald
The Remains of the Day	Kazuo Ishiguro
Pride and Prejudice	Jane Austen