

SUMMER READING LIST 2023



The purpose of our summer reading program is to create lifelong, independent readers who truly enjoy the wonder, adventure, and excitement of reading a good book by offering opportunities for recreational reading. With these thoughts in mind, students are asked to read books from the required book list over the summer months. **To receive credit for reading the required books, students must list the book's title and author, and a guardian must initial each line.** Feel free to complete the last page for this purpose. Students need to be prepared to discuss these books with classmates and teacher upon returning to school. The choice to read additional books is highly encouraged and earns the student an invitation to a special *Back-to-School Rapid Readers Pizza Party!*

Kindergarten: Choose FIVE

- 1 Bob Books - Bobby Lynn Maslen
- 2 Pete the Cat books - Eric Litwin
- 3 Biscuit books- Alyssa Satin Capucilli

First Grade: Choose FIVE

- 1 All By Myself - Mercer Mayer
- 2 Are You My Mother - P.D. Eastman
- 3 Eat Your Peas, Louise! - Pegeen Snow
- 4 Is your Mama a Llama? - Deborah Guarino
- 5 I Like Myself! - Karen Beaumont

Second Grade: Choose THREE

- 1 Little Bear - Else Minarik
- 2 Frog and Toad are Friends - Arnold Lobel
- 3 Amelia Bedelia Goes Camping - Peggy Parish
- 4 Caps for Sale - Esphry Slobodkina
- 5 The Couch Potato - Jory John
- 6 The Bad Egg -Jory John

Third Grade: Choose ONE from the list *and* ONE of your choice

- 1 Fudge-A-Mania - Judy Blume
- 2 Hamster Chase - Anastasia Suen
- 3 Frindle - Andrew Clements
- 4 Magic Tree House series books - Mary Pope Osbourne
- 5 How to Babysit a Grandma - Jean Reagan

Fourth & Fifth Grade: Choose ONE from the list *and* ONE of your choice

- 1 Holes - Louis Sachar
- 2 The Toothpaste Millionaire - Jean Merrill
- 3 Out of My Mind - Sharon M. Draper
- 4 The Boy Who Painted Dragons - Demi
- 5 Shiloh - Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
- 6 James and the Giant Peach - Roald Dahl
- 7 Indian in the Cupboard - Lynn Reid Banks

Middle School: Choose ONE from the list *and* ONE of your choice

- 1 Walk Two Moons - Sharon Creech
- 2 Stargirl - Jerry Spinelli
- 3 A Dog's Purpose - Bruce Cameron
- 4 Left Behind - Tim LaHaye and Jerry B. Jenkins
- 5 A Year Down Yonder - Richard Peck
- 6 The Hobbit or The Lord of the Rings - J.R.R Tolkien
- 7 Irena's Children - Tilar Mazzeo
- 8 Island of the Blue Dolphins - Scott O'Dell
- 9 The Hunger Games - Suzanne Collins
- 10 The Wednesday Wars - Gary Schmidt

High School: Choose ONE book not previously read from the list *and* ONE of your choice

- 1 I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings - Maya Angelou
- 2 The Hobbit or The Lord of the Rings - J.R.R.Tolkien
- 3 Lord of the Flies - Golding
- 4 A Separate Peace - John Knowles
- 5 The Red Badge of Courage - Crane
- 6 Walden - Henry David Thoreau
- 7 Faceless - Alyssa Sheinmel
- 8 The Outsiders - S.E. Hinton
- 9 The Good Earth - Pearl S. Buck

Summer Reading Selections

Title

Author

Parent's Signature

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