

PreK-K-Grade 1 Recommended Reading

Picture Books

Sam and Dave Dig a Hole (other titles) – Mac Barnett
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs - Judi Barrett
Madeline’s Rescue (Caldecott) (series) – Ludwig Bemelmans
Hello Lighthouse (Caldecott) – Sophie Blackall
The Airport Book – Lisa Brown
A Home in the Barn – Margaret Wise Brown
Mike Mulligan and His Steam Shovel (other titles) – Virginia Lee Burton
Maybe Something Beautiful – Isabel Campoy
Stellaluna - Janell Cannon
Wolf in the Snow (Caldecott) – Matthew Cordell
Diary of a Worm (other titles) – Doreen Cronin
The Day the Crayons Quit (sequel) – Drew Daywalt
Last Stop on Market Street (Caldecott) (Newbery) – Matt de la Pena
Strega Nona (series)(other titles) – Tomie dePaola
Gaston (sequel) – Kelly DiPucchio
Du Iz Tak? (Caldecott) – Carson Ellis
Olivia (series) - Ian Falconer
Ducks Away (other titles) – Mem Fox
Alphablock (series) - Christopher Franceschelli
The Sound of Silence – Katrina Goldsaito
A Big Mooncake for Little Star (Caldecott) – Grace Lin
Waiting (Caldecott) (other titles) – Kevin Henkes
Goodnight, Already! (other titles) – Jory John
This Is Not My Hat (Caldecott)(other titles) - Jon Klassen
Little Wolf’s First Howling – Laura Kvasnosky
The Story of Ferdinand – Munro Leaf
Warning: Do Not Open This Book! (sequel) - Adam Lehrhaupt
Inch by Inch (other titles) - Leo Lionni
Brown Bear, Brown Bear (other titles) - Bill Martin
Chicka Chicka Boom Boom – Bill Martin
Alma and How She Got Her Name (Caldecott) – Juana Martinez-Neal
Make Way for Ducklings (Caldecott) – Robert McCloskey
Mango, Abuela, and Me - Meg Medina
Thank You, Omu (Caldecott) – Oge Mora
Hi, Koo! A Year of Seasons – Jon Muth
If You Give a Mouse a Cookie (series) – Laura Numeroff
Good Night Owl (other titles) – Greg Pizzoli
What Pet Should I Get? (other titles) – Dr. Seuss
Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten (series) - Joseph Slate
A Sick Day for Amos McGee (Caldecott) - Philip & Erin Stead
Interrupting Chicken (sequel) – David Ezra Stein
Joseph Had a Little Overcoat (Caldecott) - Simms Taback
Jumanji (Caldecott) (other titles) - Chris Van Alsbury
They All Saw a Cat (Caldecott) – Brian Wenzel
I Got It! (other titles) – Brian Wiesner

Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus (series) – Mo Willems
Knuffle Bunny (Caldecott)(series) – Mo Willems
Hello (sequel) – Fiona Woodcock

Nonfiction

A Nest is Noisy – Diana Aston
Very Hungry Caterpillar (other titles) - Eric Carle
Locomotive (Caldecott) - Brian Floca
Boat Book (other titles) - Gail Gibbons
Plants Can't Sit Still – Rebecca Hirsch
Creature Features (other titles) – Steve Jenkins
Finding Winnie (Caldecott) - Lindsay Mattick
Snails Are Just My Speed – Kevin McClosky
Me... Jane (Caldecott) – Patrick McDonnell
Who Would Win? (series) – Jerry Pallotta
Book of Trucks (other titles) - Seymour Simon
Can I Eat That? (other titles) – Joshua Stein
Hello Hello – Brian Wenzel

Beginning Reading/Early Chapter Books

Don't Throw It To Mo! (series) – David Adler
Fly Guy (series) – Tedd Arnold
Paddington (I Can Read series) – Michael Bond
Biscuit (I Can Read series) – Alyssa Capucilli
Pete the Cat (series) – James Dean
Stanley and Me (series) – Christine Dencer
Andy and Sandy (series) – Tomie dePaola
Penny and Her Song (series) – Kevin Henkes
Pinkalicious (I Can Read series) – Victoria Kann
Snail and Worm (sequel) – Tina Kugler
Ling and Ting (series) – Grace Lin
Little Bear (series) – Else Minarik
Backyard Camp-Out (series) – Jerdine Nolen
Amelia Bedelia (I Can Read series) – Herman Parish
Henry and Mudge (series) – Cynthia Rylant
Mister Putter and Tabby (series) – Cynthia Rylant
Splat the Cat (series) – Rob Scotten
Charlie and Mouse (sequel) – Laurel Snyder
A Pig in a Wig (series) – Emma Virjan
Elephant and Piggie (series) – Mo Willems
Duck, Duck, Porcupine! (series) – Salina Yoon

For the first week of school, Pre-K and Kindergarten students are asked to: Come to school ready to tell us all about your favorite books!

For the first week of school, First Graders are asked to: Have read at least **ten** books. Books listed represent different reading levels, some more challenging than others. Many books are available in audiobook and e-book if preferred. Turn in a list of summer reading with parental signature, including the title and author of each selection. Substitutions may be made with parental permission.

GRADE 2 Recommended Reading

Fiction

Young Cam Jansen (series) - David Adler
Anna Hibiscus (other titles) – Atinuke
Triangle (series) – Mac Barnett
Ivy and Bean (series) - Annie Barrows
Ada Twist, Scientist (other titles) – Andrea Beaty
The Berenstain Bears Series – Mike Berenstain
Flat Stanley (series) – Jeff Brown
King and Kayla (series) – Dori Butler
The Golly Sisters (series) - Betsy Byars
Spunky Tells All - Ann Cameron
The Catcher’s Mask: A Peach Street Mudders Story (series) - Matt Christopher
Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea (series)(graphic) – Ben Clanton
The Chicken Squad (series) – Doreen Cronin
Diary of a Worm (series) – Doreen Cronin
The Legend of Rock Paper Scissors – Drew Daywalt
Stanley and Me (series) – Christine Dencer
Mercy Watson (series) - Kate DiCamillo
Baabwaa and Wooliam – David Elliott
Owl Diaries (series)(graphic) – Rebecca Elliott
Bramble and Maggie (series) – Jesse Haas
The Princess in Black (series) – Shannon Hale
Dory Fantasmagory (series) – Abby Hanlon
Benny and Penny (series) - Geoffrey Hayes
Penny and Her Song (series) – Kevin Henkes
Tales of Bunjitsu Bunny (series) – John Himmelman
Invisible Inkling (series) - Emily Jenkins
Horrible Harry (series) - Suzy Kline
Ling and Ting (series) - Grace Lin
Frog and Toad (series) - Arnold Lobel
Sarah, Plain and Tall (series) - Patricia MacLachlan
Fox and His Friends (series) - James Marshall
Battle for St. Michaels - Emily Arnold McCully
Triple Pet Trouble (series) – Megan McDonald
Backyard Camp-Out (series) – Jerdine Nolen
Magic Tree House (series) - Mary Pope Osborne
Amelia Bedelia Series – Herman Parish
Piper Green (series) – Ellen Potter
Fox and Chick: The Party (series) – Sergio Ruzzier
Henry and Mudge (series) - Cynthia Rylant
Mister Putter and Tabby (series) – Cynthia Rylant
Robinson – Peter Sis
Lulu and the Brontosaurus (series) – Judith Viorst
Elephant and Piggie series – Mo Willems

Nonfiction

Queen of the Falls – Chris van Allsburg

Trombone Shorty (Caldecott) – Troy Andrews
Caroline Arnold's Animals (series) - Caroline Arnold
Sharks (Fly Guy Presents) - Tedd Arnold
My Three Best Friends and Me, Zula – Cari Best
Snakes (other titles)- Nic Bishop
Magic School Bus (series) - Joanna Cole
Elizabeth, Queen of the Seas – Lynne Cox
I (Don't) Like Snakes – Nicola Davies
Giant Squid – Candace Fleming
Locomotive (Caldecott) – Brian Floca
Never Smile at a Monkey (other titles) – Steve Jenkins
This Is How We Do It – Matt Lamothe
Snowflake Bentley (Caldecott) - Jacqueline Martin
Finding Winnie (Caldecott) - Lindsay Mattick
Who Would Win? (series) – Jerry Pallotta
Amelia and Eleanor Go for a Ride – Pam Munoz Ryan
Cats (other titles) – Seymour Simon
My First Book of Football (series) – Sports Illustrated
So You Want to Be President? (other titles) – Judith St. George

Folk Tales/ Fairy Tales

Why Mosquitoes Buzz in People's Ears (Caldecott) - Verna Aardema
Once a Mouse (Caldecott) - Marcia Brown
Bloom – Doreen Cronin
In a Small Kingdom – Tomie dePaola
The Gingerbread Boy - Paul Galdone
Anansi the Spider (Caldecott) - Gerald McDermott
Jabuti the Tortoise - Gerald McDermott
After the Fall – Dan Santat
The Stinky Cheese Man (Caldecott) – Jon Scieszka

Poetry

Tomie dePaola's Book of Poems – Tomie dePaola
Shiver Me Timbers (other titles) – Douglas Florian
When Green Becomes Tomatoes – Julie Fogliano
Firefly July – Paul Janeczko
When We Were Young (other titles) – A. A. Milne
The Frog Wore Red Suspenders (other titles) - Jack Prelutsky
Where the Sidewalk Ends (other titles) - Shel Silverstein
Runny Babbit: a Silly Book (sequel)(other titles) - Shel Silverstein

For the first week of school, Second Graders are asked to:

Have read at least **ten** books. Books listed represent different reading levels, some more challenging than others. Many books are available in audiobook and e-book if preferred. Turn in a list of summer reading with parental signature, including the title and author of each selection. Substitutions may be made with parental permission.

GRADE 3 Recommended Reading

Fiction

Cam Jansen (series) - David Adler
The Strange Case of Origami Yoda (series) – Tom Angleberger
Mr. Popper’s Penguins - Richard Atwater
Ivy and Bean (series) - Annie Barrows
Rosie Revere and the Raucous Riveters (series) – Andrea Beaty
Jedi Academy (series) – Jeffrey Brown
Tornado - Betsy Byars
Welcome to the Bed and Biscuit (trilogy) - Joan Carris
The Year of the Book (series) – Andrea Cheng
Narwhal: Unicorn of the sea (series)(graphic) – Ben Clanton
Henry Huggins (or any Henry or Ramona book) - Beverly Cleary
Bink and Gollie (series) – Kate DiCamillo
Mercy Watson (series) – Kate DiCamillo
The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane – Kate DiCamillo
A Toad for Tuesday - Russell Erickson
My Father’s Dragon (series) – Ruth Stiles Gannett
Chet Gecko, Private Eye (series) - Bruce Hale
The Princess in Black (series) – Shannon Hale
Dory Fantasmagory (series) – Abby Hanlon
Our Strange New Land, Elizabeth’s Diary (or other books in My America series) - Patricia Hermes
Piper Reed: Navy Brat (series) - Kimberly Willis Holt
Traitor in Williamsburg (American Girl Mysteries) - Elizabeth McDavid Jones
My Happy Life (series) – Rose Lagercrantz
Betsy-Tacy (series) – Maud Hart Lovelace
Gooney Bird (series) – Lois Lowry
Judy Moody and Stink (series) – Megan McDonald
Lulu and the Duck in the Park (series) - Hilary McKay
The First Case (series) – Ulf Nilsson
Magic Tree House (series) – Mary Pope Osborne
Amelia Bedelia Goes Wild (series) – Herman Parish
Clementine (series) - Sara Pennypacker
Cobble Street Cousins (series) – Cynthia Rylant
Marvin Redpost (series) - Louis Sachar
Gully's Travels - Tor Seidler
The Cricket in Times Square - George Selden
Lost Treasure of the Emerald Eye (series)(also in graphic novel) - Geronimo Stilton
Nate the Great (series) – Marjorie Sharmat
Akimbo (series) - Alexander McCall Smith
All of a Kind Family (series) - Sidney Taylor
Tiger Vs. Nightmare (graphic) – Emily Tetri
Bake Sale (graphic) – Sara Varon
Lulu and the Brontosaurus (series) - Judith Viorst
Stuart Little – E.B. White
The Story of Diva and Flea – Mo Willems

Nonfiction

Whoosh – Chris Barton
Lizards (other titles) – Nic Bishop
26 Fairmont Avenue (series) – Tomie DePaola
Fairy Tale Comics (graphic) – Chris Duffy
Giant Pandas (other titles) - Gail Gibbons
Who Is - Who Was - What Was . . . Biography series - Grosset & Dunlap
Best Book of Big Cats (series) - Christiane Gunzi
How the Sphinx Got to the Museum – Jessie Hartland
A Boy, a Mouse, and a Spider: The Story of E.B. White – Barbara Herkert
Science Comics (series) – Andy Hirsch and various authors
Brave Red, Smart Frog – Emily Jenkins
Eye to Eye (other titles) – Steve Jenkins
This Is How We Do It – Matt Lamothe
I Dissent – Debbie Levy
I Am Jane Goodall (biography series) – Brad Meltzer
Magic Tree House Research Guides - Mary Pope Osborne
Frank and Lucky Get Schooled – Lynne Rae Perkins
Whose Eye Am I? – Shelley Rotner
Otis and Will Discover the Deep – Barb Rosenstock
Neighborhood Sharks (other titles) – Katherine Roy
Emmanuel’s Dream – Laurie Thompson
Malala’s Magic Pencil – Malala Yousafzai
Franklin and Winston: A Christmas that Changed the World - Douglas Wood

Poetry

Insectlopedia (other titles) - Douglas Florian
When Green Becomes Tomatoes – Julie Fogliano
Firefly July (other titles) - Paul Janeczko
Now We Are Six (other titles) – A. A. Milne
Ride a Purple Pelican (other titles) - Jack Prelutsky
Swirl by Swirl (other titles) - Joyce Sidman
Where the Sidewalk Ends (other titles) - Shel Silverstein
What Are You Glad About? What Are You Mad About? – Judith Viorst

Folk Tales/Myth

Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain - Verna Aardema
Paul Bunyan (other titles) - Steven Kellogg
Fables - Arnold Lobel
The Adventures of Sir Lancelot the Great (Knights’ Tales series) - Gerald Morris
Tales from the Odyssey (series) - Mary Pope Osborne
Dark Emperor and Other Poems of the Night (Newbery) (other titles) – Joyce Sidman
Squids Will Be Squids - Jon Scieszka & Lane Smith

For the first week of school, Third Graders are asked to:

Have read at least **five** of the recommended books from the list. Books listed represent different reading levels, some more challenging than others. Many books are available in audiobook and e-book if preferred. Turn in a list of summer reading with parental signature, including the title and author of each selection. Substitutions may be made with parental permission.

GRADE 4 Recommended Reading

Realistic Fiction

El Deafo (Newbery)(graphic) – CeCe Bell
The Penderwicks (series) – Jane Birdsall
The Friendship War (other titles) – Andrew Clements
The Lemonade War (series) - Jacqueline Davies
Because of Winn-Dixie (Newbery)(other titles) - Kate DiCamillo
Mandy – Julie Edwards
The Saturdays (series)- Elizabeth Enright
Junonia (other titles) – Kevin Henkes
Melonhead (series) – Katy Kelly
Pippi Longstocking (series) – Astrid Lindgren
Betsy-Tacy (series) – Maud Hart Lovelace
Comeback Kids (series) - Mike Lupica
Juana and Lucas (sequel) – Juana Medina
Adventures with Waffles – Maria Parr
Secret Sisters of the Salty Sea – Lynne Rae Perkins
Jake and Lily - Jerry Spinelli
Ballet Shoes (series) – Noel Streatfield
All of a Kind Family (series) - Sidney Taylor
The Trouble with Tuck (sequel) – Theodore Taylor

Historical Fiction

The Whipping Boy (Newbery)– Sid Fleischman
Jackie and Me (series) - Dan Gutman
Ben and Me - Robert Lawson
The Doll Shop Downstairs (sequel) - Yona Zeldis McDonough
Hannah’s Journal: the Story of an Immigrant Girl (series) - Marissa Moss
Max and the Midnighters – Lincoln Peirce
Dear America Series (any title) - Scholastic Books
I Survived (series) – Lauren Tarshis
Little House in the Big Woods (series) – Laura Ingalls Wilder

Fantasy/Mystery

Pals in Peril Tales - M. T. Anderson
Poppy (series) - Avi
Indian in the Cupboard (series) - Lynn Reid Banks
Brixton Brothers: The Case of the Mistaken Identity (series) - Mac Barnett
Jedi Academy (series) – Jeffrey Brown
The Children of Green Knowe (series) - L. M. Boston
The Wild Robot (sequel) – Peter Brown
A Nest for Celeste - Henry Cole
The Tale of Despereaux (Newbery) – Kate DiCamillo
The Spiderwick Chronicles (series) - Tony DiTerlizzi and Holly Black
Half Magic (series)- Edward Eager
Ophelia and the Marvelous Boy – Karen Foxlee
Toad Rage (series) - Morris Gleitzman
The 13-Story Treehouse (series) – Andy Griffiths

Mr. and Mrs. Bunny - Detectives Extraordinaire! (sequel) - Polly Horvath
The Secret of the Old Clock (Nancy Drew Mystery Series) – Carolyn Keene
Princess Sonora and the Long Sleep (The Princess Tales series) - Gail Carson Levine
Nathaniel Fludd Beastologist (series) - R. L. LaFevers
The People in Pineapple Place (series) - Anne Lindbergh
The Doll People (series) - Ann Martin
Bob – Wendy Mass
Toto: the Dog-gone Amazing Story of the Wizard of Oz – Michael Morpurgo
Knights Vs. Dinosaurs – Matt Phelan
Nuts to You – Lynne Rae Perkins
Harry Potter (series) - J.K. Rowling
Rowan of Rin (series) - Emily Rodda
The Time Warp Trio (series) - Jon Scieszka

Nonfiction

Australian Animals (other titles) - Caroline Arnold
The Journey That Saved Curious George - Louise Borden
Grand Canyon (Caldecott) – Jason Chin
Who Is –Who Was – What Was... Biography Series – Grosset & Dunlap
Science Comics (series)(graphic) – Andy Hirsch and various authors
Animals by the Numbers (other titles) – Steve Jenkins
Volcano (other titles) - Patricia Lauber
Swimming with Hammerhead Sharks (other titles) - Kenneth Mallory
Encounter the Saints (series) - Pauline Books and Media
Tricky Vic: The Impossibly True Story of the Man Who Sold the Eiffel Tower – Greg Pizzoli
Saturn (other titles) - Seymour Simon
Joan of Arc - Diane Stanley
Some Writer! The Story of E. B. White – Melissa Sweet

Myths/Fairy Tales/Poetry

Aesop's Fables – Aesop
D'Aulaire's Book of Greek Myths - Ingri & Edgar Parin D'Aulaire
The Dragon Slayer (graphic) – Jaime Hernandez
The Death of the Hat (other titles) - Paul Janeczko
Brave Red, Smart Frog – Emily Jenkins
The McElderry Book of Greek Myths - Eric Kimmel
Pinocchio: In His Own Words – Michael Morpurgo
American Tall Tales - Mary Pope Osborne
A Pizza the Size of the Sun – Jack Prelutsky
Where the Sidewalk Ends (other titles) - Shel Silverstein
Mirror Mirror: A Book of Reversible verse (other titles) – Marilyn Singer
What Are You Glad About? What Are You Mad About? – Judith Viorst
Gone Fishing (sequel) – Jamara Wissinger

For the first week of school, Fourth Graders are asked to:

Have read at least **four** of the recommended books from the list. Books listed represent different reading levels, some more challenging than others. Many books are available in audiobook and e-book if preferred. Turn in a list of summer reading with parental signature, including the title and author of each selection. Substitutions may be made with parental permission.

You will receive special fourth grade tickets for each book you read.

GRADE 5 Summer Reading

Required Reading

All students must read: Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library by Chris Grabenstein
Title available in paperback, audiobook and e-book. MCPL has 35 copies, \$4.07 on Amazon.

Recommended Reading

Realistic Fiction

El Deafo (graphic novel)(Newbery) - Cece Bell
The Penderwicks (series) - Jeanne Birdsall
The Secret Garden – Francis Hodgson Burnett
The Incredible Journey - Sheila Burnford
Dear Mr. Henshaw (Newbery)(sequel) - Beverly Cleary
No Talking (other titles) - Andrew Clements
Saving Winslow – Sharon Creech
The Goat – Anne Fleming
Real Friends (graphic) – Shannon Hale
Hello, Universe (Newbery) – Erin Kelly
From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler (Newbery) - E.L. Konigsburg
The Year of the Dog (series) - Grace Lin
Touch Blue (other titles) - Cynthia Lord
Comeback Kids (series) – Mike Lupica
The Candymakers (sequel) - Wendy Mass
Binny for Short (series) - Hilary McKay
Shiloh (Newbery)(series) - Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
The Turtles of Oman - Naomi Nye
Wonderstruck – Brian Selznick
Ghosts – Raina Telgemeier
The Incurable Children of Ashton Place (series) - Maryrose Wood

Historical Fiction

The Castle Corona - Sharon Creech
The Door in the Wall (Newbery) - Marguerite DeAngeli
Titanic (and other series) - Gordon Korman
Inside Out and Back Again (Newbery) - Thanhha Lai
Washington City is Burning - Harriette Robinet
May B - Caroline Rose
Esperanza Rising - Pam M. Ryan
My Name is America (series) - Scholastic Books
The Invention of Hugo Cabret (Caldecott) - Brian Selznick
The Sign of the Beaver (Newbery) - Elizabeth George Speare
Arcady's Goal - Eugene Yelchin

Fantasy/Mystery/Myth

Finding Serendipity (series) – Angelica Banks
The 100-year-old Secret (Sherlock Files series) - Tracy Barrett
The Wild Robot (sequel) – Peter Brown
The Sisters Grimm (series) - Michael Buckley

Benjamin Pratt and the Keepers of the School (series) - Andrew Clements
D'Aulaire's Book of Greek Myths - Ingri & Edgar Parin D'Aulaire
Flora & Ulysses (Newbery) - Kate DeCamillo
The 13-Story Treehouse (series) – Andy Griffiths
Babe and Me (Baseball Card Adventure series) - Dan Gutman
The Song from Somewhere Else – A.F. Harrold
The Hero's Guide to Saving Your Kingdom (series) - Christopher Healy
Emily Windsnap (series) - Liz Kessler
Where the Mountain Meets the Moon (Newbery)(series) - Grace Lin
Bliss (series) - Kathryn Littlewood
The Sixty-Eight Rooms (sequel) - Marianne Malone
Rapunzel, the One with All the Hair (series)- Wendy Mass
Candymakers (sequel) – Wendy Mass
Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH (Newbery)(series) - Robert O'Brien
The Mysterious Woods of Whistle Root - Christopher Pennell
Harry Potter (series) - J.K. Rowling
Septimus Heap (series) - Angie Sage
Who Could that Be at This Hour? (series) - Lemony Snicket
The Mysterious Benedict Society (series) - Trenton Lee Stewart
The Thickety (series) - J.A. White

Autobiography/Biography/Nonfiction

Amelia Lost: the Life and Disappearance of Amelia Earhart - Candace Fleming
Lincoln (Newbery) - Russell Freedman
Bully for You, Teddy Roosevelt - Jean Fritz
Science Comics (series)(graphic) – Andy Hirsch and various authors
Heroes of Baseball - Robert Lipsyte
Cathedral - David Macaulay
Jazz Day: The Making of a Famous photograph – Roxane Orgill
Around the World (graphic) - Matt Phelan
Hidden Figures (picture book) – Margot Shetterly
Some Writer! The Story of E. B. White – Melissa Sweet
Camp Panda – Catherine Thimmesh
Gorilla Doctors (Any of the Scientists in the Field series) - Pamela S. Turner

For the first week of school, Fifth Graders are asked to:

1. Have read at least **three** books from the list – **one** required and at least **two** others. Books listed represent different reading levels, some more challenging than others. Many books are available in audiobook and e-book if preferred. Substitutions may be made with parental permission.
2. Write a letter to Chris Grabenstein , the author of Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library. Tell the author about yourself. Explain your feelings and questions about the story. Be specific and give details to support your reaction. The letter should be one page in length.
3. Make a cover for your letter which includes a scene from the book.
4. Turn in a list of summer reading with parental signature, including the title and author of each selection.

Grade 6 Summer Reading

Required Reading

All students must read: Restart by Gordon Korman

Title available in paperback, audiobook and e-book. MCPL has 75 copies, \$5.51 on Amazon.

Recommended Reading

Realistic Fiction / Mystery

I Kill the Mockingbird – Paul Acampora
Chasing Vermeer (trilogy) - Blue Balliett
Lions and Liars – Kate Beasley
The Penderwicks (series) - Jeanne Birdsall
Masterpiece – Elise Broach
Moo (other titles) - Sharon Creech
Raymie Nightingale (sequel) – Kate Di Camillo
London Eye Mystery - Siobhan Dowd
Out of My Mind - Sharon M. Draper
Absolutely Truly (sequel) – Heather Frederick
Space Case (series and other series by author) – Stuart Gibbs
Absolutely Almost – Lisa Graff
My Louisiana Sky - Kimberly Willis Holt
Fish in a Tree – Lynda Hunt
Roller Girl (graphic) – Victoria Jamieson
The Great Greene Heist (sequel) – Varian Johnson
Amina’s Voice – Hena Khan
Invisible Emmie (graphic)(series) – Terri Libenson
Rules - Cynthia Lord
The Only Game (series) – Mike Lupica
The Season of Styx Malone – Kekla Magoon
Rain Reign – Ann Martin
Jeremy Fink and the Meaning of Life – Wendy Mass
Chester and Gus – Cammie McGovern
Merci Suarez changes gears (Newbery 2019) – Meg Medina
Wonder (sequel)– R.J. Palacio
Hatchet (series) - Gary Paulsen
Paint the Wind - Pam M. Ryan
The Mysterious Benedict Society (series) - Trenton Lee Stewart

Historical Fiction

The War That Saved My Life (Newbery)(sequel) – Kimberly Bradley
Stella by Starlight – Sharon Draper
The Black Stallion (series) – Walter Farley
Lily’s Crossing (Newbery)(series)– Patricia Reilly Giff
Nathan Hale’s Hazardous Tales (graphic)(series) – Nathan Hale
Our Only May Amelia (Newbery) (sequel) - Jennifer Holm
Hero on a Bicycle – Shirley Hughes
The Thieves of Ostia (Roman Mysteries series) - Caroline Lawrence
Anne of Green Gables (series) – L. M. Montgomery
Kensuke’s Kingdom (other titles)- Michael Morpurgo
Island of the Blue Dolphins (Newbery) - Scott O’Dell
On the Wings of Heroes – Richard Peck
The Upstairs Room - Johanna Reiss
Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry (Newbery)(series) - Mildred Taylor
Bronze and Sunflower – Cao Wenxuan

Fantasy/Myths/Fables/Folklore

The One and Only Ivan (Newbery) - Katherine Applegate
Tuck Everlasting - Natalie Babbitt
The Wonderling (sequel) – Mira Bartok
Circus Mirandus – Cassie Beasley
The Iron Trial (sequel) – Holly Black
Flunked (series) – Jen Calonita
The Land of Stories (series) – Chris Colfer
Wizards of Once (sequel) – Cressida Cowell
The Illiad – Gillian Cross
The Lifters – Dave Eggers
The Fourteenth Goldfish (sequel) – Jennifer Holm
Savvy (trilogy) - Ingrid Law
A Wrinkle in Time (Newbery) – Madeline L’Engle
Ella Enchanted (Newbery)(other titles) – Gail Carson Levine
Where the Mountain Meets the Moon (Newbery)(series) – Grace Lin
Bliss (series) – Kathryn Littlewood
A Snicker of Magic - Natalie Lloyd
The Problim Children (sequel) – Natalie Lloyd
The Door by the Staircase – Katherine Marsh
11 Birthdays (series) – Wendy Mass
Mrs. Smith’s Spy School for Girls (sequel) – Beth McMullen
The Book of Boy (Newbery 2019) – Catherine Murdock
Percy Jackson and the Olympians (series and all other series) - Rick Riordan
Harry Potter (series) - J.K. Rowling
A Series of Unfortunate Events (series) – Lemony Snicket
Orphan Island – Laurel Snyder
The Egypt Game (Newbery) (sequel) – Zilpha Keatley Snyder
The Secret Keepers – Trenton Lee Stewart

Autobiography/Biography/Nonfiction

Rising Water – Marc Aronson

Terrible Typhoid Mary – Susan Campbell Bartoletti

Escape! The Story of the Great Houdini - Sid Fleischman

The Story of Salt - Mark Kurlansky

Untamed: The Wild Life of Jane Goodall – Anita Silvey

The Frog Scientist (Any of the Scientists in the Field series) - Pamela S. Turner

Big Top Burning – Laura Woollett

For the first week of school, Sixth Graders are asked to:

1. Have read **three** books - **one** required and at least **two** others from the recommended list. Many books are available in audiobook and e-book if preferred. Substitutions may be made with parental permission.
2. Be prepared to discuss the required book, Restart by Gordon Korman.
3. Turn in a one-page typed report for each of the **two** other books from the recommended reading list. One half of the page should be a summary. The other half should include reactions, thoughts, and feelings about the book.
4. Turn in a list of summer reading with parental signature, including the title and author of each selection.

Grade 7 Summer Reading

Required Reading

All students must read: A Long Walk to Water by Linda Sue Park

Title available in paperback, audiobook and e-book. MCPL has 117 copies, \$6.88 on Amazon.

Recommended Reading

Realistic Fiction/ Mystery

The Right Hook of Devin Velma – Jake Burt

Close to Famous – Jane Bauer

My name is Parvana (series) - Deborah Ellis

The Honest Truth – Dan Geimeinhart

My Side of the Mountain (Newbery)(series) – Jean Craighead George

Spy School (series and other series) – Stuart Gibbs

Lost in the Sun – Lisa Graff

First Team (other titles) – Tim Green

Theodore Boone (series) – John Grisham

Slider – Pete Hautman

The Outsiders (sequel) - S.E. Hinton

One for the Murphys – Lynda Hunt

Fish in a Tree – Lynda Hunt

The Parker Inheritance – Varian Johnson

Listen, Slowly – Thanhha Lai

Fast Break (series) – Mike Lupica

A Mango-shaped Space (other titles) – Wendy Mass

Chester and Gus – Cammie McGovern

Greenglass House (sequel) – Kate Milford

The First Rule of Punk – Celia Perez

The Red Pencil – Andrea Pinkney

Murder Is Bad Manners (series) – Robin Stevens

The Mysterious Benedict Society (series) – Trenton Lee Stewart

Wolf Hollow – Lauren Wolk

Historical Fiction

Fever 1793 - Laurie Anderson
Al Capone Does My Shirts (Newbery)(series) – Gennifer Choldenko
Secrets of the Terra-Cotta Soldier - Ying Chang Compestine
Salt – Helen Frost
Dead End in Norvelt (Newbery) - Jack Gantos
Nathan Hale’s Hazardous Tales (graphic) – Nathan Hale
Penny from Heaven – Jennifer Holm
The Great Trouble – Deborah Hopkinson
Cracker! The Best Dog in Vietnam - Cynthia Kadohata
Weedflower (other titles) - Cynthia Kadohata
Lions of Little Rock – Kristin Levine
Anne of Green Gables: A Graphic Novel (graphic) – Mariah Marsden
Little White Duck: A Childhood in China (graphic) – Andres Martinez
War Horse – Michael Morpurgo
A Single Shard (Newbery) - Linda Sue Park
When My Name Was Keoko - Linda Sue Park
Heart of a Samurai (Newbery)(sequel) – Margi Preus
The Romeo and Juliet Code (sequel) – Phoebe Stone
Moon Over Manifest (Newbery) - Clare Vanderpool
Paperboy (Newbery) – Vince Vawter
Beyond the Bright Sea – Lauren Wolk

Fantasy/Myths/Folklore

Sweep – Jonathan Auxier
Jinx (series) – Sage Blackwood
Artemis Fowl (series) – Eoin Colfer
Ranger’s Apprentice (series) - John Flanagan
Princess Academy (other titles) - Shannon Hale
13 Treasures (series)- Michelle Harrison
Warriors (series) - Erin Hunter
Beauty - Robin McKinley
Keys to the Kingdom (series) - Garth Nix
The Boundless – Kenneth Opel
The Nest – Kenneth Opel
Eragon (series) – Christopher Paolini
Archer’s Quest – Linda Sue Park
Pax – Sarah Pennypacker
Percy Jackson’s Greek Gods (other titles) - Rick Riordan
Echo: A Novel – Pam Nuno Ryan
Emerald Atlas (trilogy) – John Stephens
Nevermoor (sequel) – Jessica Townsend
Demon Dentist (other titles) – David Walliams

Classics

The Illiad – Gillian Cross

The Odyssey – Gillian Cross

Gris Grimly's Tales from the Brothers Grimm – Jacob and Wilhelm Grimm

Across Five Aprils (Newbery) – Irene Hunt

The Jungle Book - Rudyard Kipling

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer - Mark Twain

The Sword in the Stone - T. H. White

Autobiography/Biography/Nonfiction

Trapped – Marc Aronson

Rising Water – Marc Aronson

Emancipation Proclamation – Tonya Bolden

Boys in the Boat (Young Readers Edition) – James Brown

Presenting Buffalo Bill – Candace Fleming

Cheaper by the Dozen (sequel) – Frank Gilbreth

Titanic: Voices from the Disaster - Deborah Hopkinson

Inside of a Dog (YA edition) – Alexandra Horowitz

The Mysterious Universe (Any of the Scientists In The Field series) - Ellen B. Jackson

Red Scarf Girl: A Memoir of the Cultural Revolution - Ji-li Jiang

The Plot to Kill Hitler – Patricia McCormick

An American Plague: The True and Terrifying Story of the Yellow Fever of 1793 - Jim Murphy

The Great Fire – Jim Murphy

Bomb (Newbery) – Steve Sheinkin

Port Chicago 50 – Steve Sheinkin

Team Moon, How 400,000 People Landed Apollo 11 on the Moon - Catherine Thimmesh

Brown Girl Dreaming (Newbery) – Jacqueline Woodson

I Am Malala (Young Readers Edition) – Malala Yousafzai

For the first week of school, Seventh Graders are asked to:

1. Have read **three** books - **one** required and at least **two** others from the recommended list. Many books are available in audiobook and e-book if preferred. Substitutions may be made with parental permission.
2. Be prepared to discuss the required book, [A Long Walk to Water](#) by Linda Sue Park.
3. Turn in a one-page typed report for each of the two other books from the recommended reading list. One half of the page should be a summary. The other half should include reactions, thoughts, and feelings about the book.
4. Turn in a list of summer reading with parental signature, including the title and author of each selection.

8th Grade Summer Reading

Required Reading

All students must read:

The False Prince by Jennifer A. Nielsen. If you wish, you may read the trilogy!

Title available in paperback, audiobook and e-book. MCPL has 34 copies, \$7.19 on Amazon.

Recommended Reading

Realistic Fiction/Mystery

Crossover (Newbery) (series) – Kwame Alexander

Posted – John Anderson

The Scandalous Sisterhood of Prickwillow Place – Julie Berry

Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus – Dusti Bowling

Heist Society (series) – Ally Carter

Murder on the Orient Express (other titles) – Agatha Christie

Mockingbird - Kathryn Erskine

Rush for the Gold (other titles) – John Feinstein

Belly Up, Spy School and Space Case (series) – Stuart Gibbs

The Big Game (other titles) – Tim Green

Olive's Ocean (Newbery) - Kevin Henkes

Hoot – Carl Hiaasen

Checked – Cynthia Kadohata

QB1 (other titles) – Mike Lupica

Every Soul A Star (other titles) – Wendy Mass

Breakout – Kate Messner

Scorpions - Walter Dean Myers

Eye of the Crow (other titles) – Shane Peacock

A Girl Called Problem – Katie Quirk

Ghost (series) – Jason Reynolds

Amal Unbound – Aisha Saeed

Counting by 7s – Holly Sloan

Short – Holly Sloan

Stargirl (sequel)- Jerry Spinelli

Homecoming (series) – Cynthia Voigt

Historical Fiction

Little Women (series) - Louisa May Alcott
Chains (series) - Laurie Halse Anderson
The Boy Who Dared - Susan Campbell Bartoletti
The Boy in Striped Pajamas – John Boyne
Stay Where You Are and Then Leave – John Boyne
Innocent Heroes – Sigmund Brouwer
Caminar – Skila Brown
Under a War-Torn Sky (sequel) – L.M. Elliott
Johnny Tremain (Newbery) – Esther Forbes
The Night Diary – Veera Hiranandani
Across Five Aprils (Newbery)- Irene Hunt
A Million Shades of Gray (other titles) - Cynthia Kadohata
Hattie Big Sky (sequel) - Kirby Larson
The Mad Wolf's Daughter (sequel) – Diane Magras
Anne of Green Gables: A Graphic Novel (graphic) – Mariah Marsden
Mira's Diary – Marissa Moss
Resistance – Jennifer Nielsen
Auma's Long Run – Eucabeth Odhiambo
My Brigadista Year – Katherine Paterson
A Long Way from Chicago (Newbery) – Richard Peck
The Hired Girl – Laura Amy Schlitz
Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry (Newbery)(series) - Mildred Taylor
My Family for the War (Newbery) - Anne C. Voorhoeve
Wolf Hollow (Newbery) – Lauren Wolk

Fantasy and Myth

The Night Gardener – Jonathan Auxier
Artemis Fowl (series) – Eoin Colfer
The Seeing Stone (trilogy) - Kevin Crossley-Holland
The Ear, the Eye and the Arm (Newbery) - Nancy Farmer
Stormbreaker (Alex Rider series) – Anthony Horowitz
The Giver (Newbery)(series) – Lois Lowry
Percy Jackson's Greek Gods (sequel) – Rick Riordan
Echo: A Novel – Pam Munoz Ryan
The Riverman (trilogy) - Aaron Starmer
First Light - Rebecca Stead
The Lord of the Rings (series) - J.R.R. Tolkien

Autobiography/Biography/ Nonfiction

Boys in the Boat (Young Readers Edition) - James Brown
Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl – Anne Frank
Good Brother, Bad Brother: The Story of Edwin and John Wilkes Booth - James Cross Giblin
The Many Rides of Paul Revere - James Cross Giblin
The Endless Steppe – Esther Hautzig
The Faithful Spy: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Plot to Kill Hitler (graphic) – John Hendrix
Unbroken (YA edition) – Laura Hillenbrand
The Boys Who Challenged Hitler – Phillip Hoose

Fatal Fever: Tracking Down Typhoid Mary – Gail Jarrow
Black Diamond: Story of Negro Baseball Leagues - Patricia McKissack
Blizzard! The Storm That Changed America - Jim Murphy
Bomb: The Race to Build-and Steal-The World’s Most Dangerous Weapon - Steve Sheinkin
Most Dangerous: Daniel Ellsberg and the Secret History of the Vietnam War - Steve Sheinkin
The Notorious Benedict Arnold - Steve Sheinkin
Undeclared: Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian School Football Team – Steve Sheinkin
Chasing Lincoln's Killer - James Swanson
I Am Malala (YA Edition) – Malala Yousafzai

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1. Have read **three** books - **one** required and at least **two** others. Many books are available in audiobook and e-book if preferred. Substitutions may be made with parental permission.
2. Be prepared to discuss the required book, The False Prince (Book One of the Ascendance Trilogy) by Jennifer A. Nielsen.
3. Turn in a one-page typed report for each of the two other books from the recommended reading list. One half of the page should be a summary. The other half should include reactions, thoughts, and feelings about the book.
4. Turn in a list of summer reading with parental signature, including the title and author of each selection.