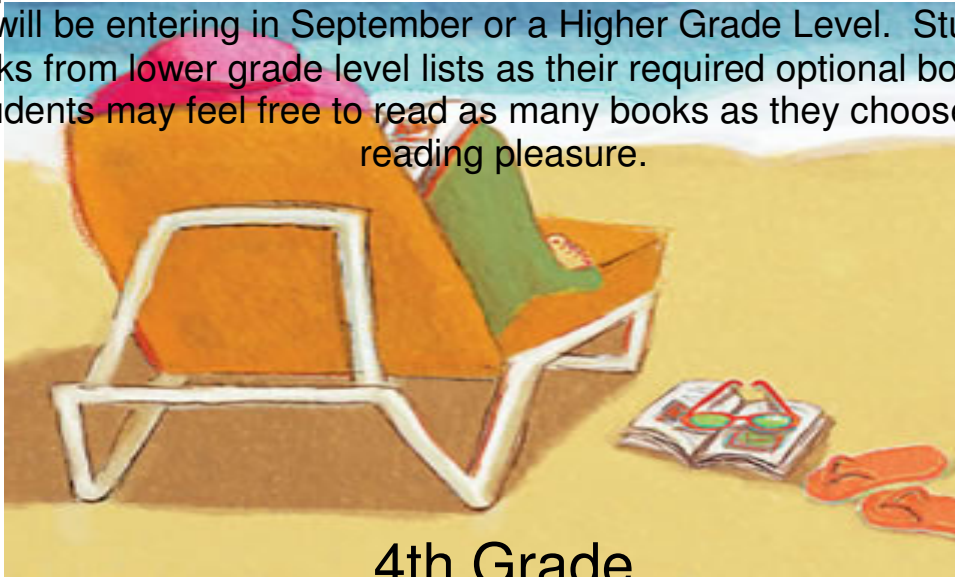


Summer Reading 2010

Each student in grades 4-8 is required to read 3 books this summer. Each Grade Level is REQUIRED to read the specified mandatory novel listed below the grade they will enter in September. The two "OPTION" novels must be chosen from the lists of the grade they will be entering in September or a Higher Grade Level. Students may not choose books from lower grade level lists as their required optional book choices. Of course, students may feel free to read as many books as they choose for their own reading pleasure.



4th Grade

Mandatory Reading:

Loser written by Jerry Spinelli

Just like other kids, Zinkoff rides his bike, hopes for snow days, and wants to be like his dad when he grows up. But Zinkoff also raises his hand with all the wrong answers, trips over his own feet, and falls down with laughter over a word like Jabip. Other kids have their own word to describe him, but Zinkoff is too busy to hear it. He doesn't know he's not like everyone else. And one winter night, Zinkoff's differences show that any name can someday become hero.

Options (choose 2 from this list or a higher level):

The Report Card by Andrew Clements
Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo
Fudge-a Mania by Judy Blume
Frindle by Andrew Clements
Matilda by Roald Dahl
James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl
Indigo by Alice Hoffman
Maniac Magee by Jerry Spinelli

Flush by Carl Hiaasen
Sarah, Plain, and Tall by Patricia McLachlan
The BFG by Roald Dahl
The Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid Banks
Lunch Money by Andrew Clements
The Velveteen Rabbit by Margery William
My Teacher is an Alien by Bruce Colville

Lost and Found by Jerry Spinelli
Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume
How to Eat Fried Worms by Thomas Rockwell

Old Yeller by Fred Gibson
The Great Gilly Hopkins by Katherine Paterson

5th Grade

Mandatory Reading:

Where the Red Fern Grows written by Wilson Rawls

Billy, Old Dan and Little Anne-a boy and his two dogs... A loving threesome, they range the dark hills and the river bottoms of Cherokee Country. Old Dan had the brawn, Little Anne had the brains- and Billy had the will to train them to be the finest hunting team in the valley. Glory and victory were coming to them, but sadness waited too. And close by, was the strange and wonderful power that's only found... where the red fern grows.

Options (choose 2 from this list or a higher level):

Nothing's Fair in Fifth Grade by Barthe DeClements
Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson
Dear Mr. Henshaw by Beverly Cleary
Love, StarGirl by Jerry Spinelli
My Side of the Mountain by Jean Craighead George
Crash by Jerry Spinelli
Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell
A Cricket In Times Square by George Selden

Eggs by Jerry Spinelli
The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe by C.S. Lewis
A View From Saturday by E.L. Konigsburg
Hoot by Carl Hiaasen
Hatchet by Gary Paulsen
In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson by Better Bao Lord
The Chronicles of Narnia by C.S. Lewis
Elijah of Buxton by Christopher Paul Curtis
The Adventure of Hugo Cabret by Brian Selznick

6th Grade

Mandatory Reading:

Among the Hidden written by Margaret Peterson Haddix

Among the Hidden is a gripping adventure about a boy whose very existence is declared illegal under the Government's cruel Population Law. Twelve-year-old Luke Garner has been hiding his entire life. As the third child born to the Garner family, Luke's existence is considered a crime under the law that restricts women from having more than two children in their lifetime. Luke does not know why he is illegal. In fact, it has taken him most of his life to figure out that he is different from his older brothers, Matthew and Mark. Growing up, Luke always assumed that all little children had to hide from people. After all, he knew of no other way to live. Luke has been so sheltered by his family that it has taken him many years to figure out that.....

Options (choose 2 from this list or a higher level):

The Egypt Game by Zilpha Keatley Snyder

The Giver by Lois Lowry
Free Baseball by Sue Corbett

The Broken Blade by William Durbin
Out of the Dust by Karen Hesse
A Crooked Kind of Perfect by Linda Urban
Seedfolks by Paul Fleishman
Julie of the Wolves by Jean Craighead George
Jacob Have I Loved by Katherine Paterson
Sixth Grade Secrets by Louis Sachar
The Prince and the Pauper by Mark Twain

True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle by Avi
Great Summer Camp Catastrophe by Diane DeGroat
Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech
Tangerine by Edward Bloor
Black Star, Bright Dawn by Scott O'Dell
The Dark is Rising by Susan Coiper
Dealing with Dragons by Patricia C. Wrede
Hope was Here by Joan Bauer
So B. It by Sarah Weeks

7th Grade

Mandatory Reading:

The Diary of Anne Frank written by Anne Frank

The diary opens on June 12, 1942. Frank and her family have gone into hiding to escape persecution by the Nazis and Frank has decided that the diary she received for her thirteenth birthday will make the perfect friend and confidante. She names the diary "Kitty," and explains that because she has never had a real friend to whom she could tell everything, she will create one in the persona of Kitty. Frank writes that her family lived in Frankfurt until Mr. Frank fled to Amsterdam with his family as Nazi Germany became increasingly anti-Semitic. When the Nazis occupied Holland, Mr. Frank moved his family into the pre-arranged hiding place over the warehouse. This personal account will have you at the edge of your seat and interested in Anne's life and experiences.

Options (choose 2 from this list or a higher level):

The Pinballs by Betsy Byars
The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster
Chasing Redbird by Sharon Creech
The Naturalist by Erin Colfer
Roll of Thunder Hear my Cry by Mildred Taylor
Summer of My German Soldier by Bette Green
An American Plague by Jim Murphy

Olive's Ocean by Kevin Henkes
War of the Worlds by G.H. Wells
Al Capone Does My Shirts by Jennifer Choldenko
Gathering Blue by Lois Lowry
The Boy Who Dared by Susan Campbell Bartoletti
Artemis Fowl by Eoin Colfer
Gifted by Beth Evangelista

8th Grade

Mandatory Reading:

Locked in Time written by Lois Duncan

Nore's mother died almost a year ago. Nore was in a boarding school, and when school was out for the summer, she came to live with her father and her stepmother, Lisette. Lisette had two children, Gabe and Josie. Nore felt like her stepmother and stepbrother were all right, but she had some doubts about

them. One day, Nore's mother came to her in a vision. It frightened Nore at first because she knew her mother was dead. Nore's mother told her that only she could hear her voice. Nore's mother warned Nore about staying in Shadow Grove. She told Nore that she and her father should leave because they were in danger. Now you'll have to read the book to find out what happens to Nore and her after. The

Options (choose 2):

Dacey's Song by Cynthia Voigt

Letters from Rifka by Karen Hesse

Midnight Magic by Avi

Locked in Time by Lois Duncan

The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien

The Hound of Baskervilles by Arthur

Conan Foyle

The Scarlet Pimpernel by Emmuska

Orczy

Bucking the Sarge by Christopher Paul

Curtis

Romeo and Juliet by William

Shakespeare

Twelfth Night by William Shakespeare

The Martian Chronicles by Ray Bradbury

Ethan Frome by Edith Wharton

Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte

King Solomon's Mines by H.Rider

Haggard

And Then There Were None by Agatha

Christie

Schooled by Gordon Korman

Peeled by Joan Bauer

White Fang by Jack London