

Summer Reading Requirement 2021

Sixth Entering Seventh

Reading:

- Choose a book from the attached list and complete the graphic organizer

Writing

- Write a book report on the book you chose.

Report should:

- be neatly handwritten or typed
- Include introduction paragraph, 2 detail paragraphs, and a conclusion
- Use correct grammar, spelling and punctuation.

Please staple all work together and hand in on the first day of school.

Have a great summer and God Bless!

READING LIST SIXTH GRADE ENTERING SEVENTH GRADE

Assassin - Anna Myers ©2005 In alternating passages, a young White House seamstress named Bella and the actor John Wilkes Booth describe the events that lead to the latter's assassination of Abraham Lincoln.
Age Range: 12 - 17 Years Grade Level: 7 - 10

Counting by 7s - Holly Goldberg Sloan @2014 "On the 7th day of the 7th month (is it any wonder I love the number?) my new parents drove north to a hospital 257 miles from their home, where they named me after a cold-climate tree and changed the world." **Age Range 11 - 14 Grade Level: 6 - 8**
Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie - Jordan Sonnenblick ©2005 When his younger brother is diagnosed with leukemia, thirteen-year-old Steven tries to deal with his complicated emotions, his school life, and his desire to support his family. Age Range: 12 - 14 Years Grade Level: 7 - 9

Eight Keys - Suzanne LaFleur ©2012 Elise and Franklin have always been best friends. Elise has always lived in the big house with her loving Uncle and Aunt, because Elise's parents died when she was too young to remember them. There's always been a barn behind the house with eight locked doors on the second floor. **Age Range: 11 - 12 Years Grade Level: 6 - 7**

Feathers - Jacqueline Woodson ©2010 "Hope is the thing with feathers" starts the poem Frannie is reading in school. Frannie hasn't thought much about hope. There are so many other things to think about. Each day, her friend Samantha seems a bit more "holy." There is a new boy in class everyone is calling the Jesus Boy. And although the new boy looks like a white kid, he says he's not white. Who is he?" **Age Range: 11 - 13 Years Grade Level: 6 - 8**
Football Genius - Tim Green ©2008 Troy White can predict any football play before it happens. And when his single mom gets a job with the Atlanta Falcons, Troy knows it's his big chance to help them out of their slump—and finally prove his football genius. Age Range: 11 - 12 Years Grade Level: 6 - 7

Good Brother, Bad Brother: The Story of Edwin Booth and John Wilkes Booth - James Giblin ©2005 Most people know the name John Wilkes Booth, but few likely have heard of his elder brother Edwin. Find out about the brothers through first-hand accounts. Learn how alike and how different they were, and how each made a lasting impression on American history. Age Range: 10 - 14 Years

The Great Fire - Jim Murphy ©2006 Vivid firsthand descriptions by persons who lived through the 1871 Chicago fire are woven into a gripping account that is absorbing and riveting reading. **Newbery Honor Book and CCS** Age Range: 11 - 12 Years Grade Level: 6 - 7

Heartbeat - Sharon Creech ©2004 RUN, RUN, RUN that's what twelve-year-old Annie loves to do. When she's barefoot and running she can hear her heart beating. Age Range: 10 - 12 Years Grade Level: 5 - 7

Jesse Bowman: A Union Boy's War Story - Tom McGowen ©2008 In this action-packed historical fiction novel, Jesse Bowman joins the Union Army in hopes of finding adventure. However, this teenage soldier learns that victory comes at a great cost. He discovers the hardships of war, the horror of battle, and the loss of friendship on his journey through the Civil War. Age Range: 10 - 12 Years Grade Level:

Math Trek: Adventures in the Math Zone - Ivars Peterson ©2000 Explores various mathematical concepts--such as knots, fractals, secret codes, and chaos theory--and relates them to everyday life. **CCS** Age Range: 10 - 12 Years Grade Level: 5 - 7

Notes from the Dog - Gary Paulsen ©2009 When Johanna shows up at the beginning of summer to house-sit next door to Finn, he has no idea of the profound effect she will have on his life by the time summer vacation is over. Age Range: 12 - 14 Years Grade Level: 7 - 9

Paul Revere's Ride - Henry Wadsworth Longfellow ©1990 The famous narrative poem recreating Paul Revere's midnight ride in 1775 to warn the people of the Boston countryside that the British were coming. **CCS** Age Range: 9 - 12 Years Grade Level: 3 - 8

Powerless - Matthew Cody ©2009 Twelve-year-old Daniel, the new kid in town, soon learns the truth about his nice—but odd—new friends: one can fly, another can turn invisible, yet another controls electricity. Incredible. The superkids use their powers to secretly do good in the town, but they're haunted by the fact that the moment they turn thirteen, their abilities will disappear—along with any memory that they ever had them. Is a memory-stealing supervillain sapping their powers? **Age Range: 10- 12 years Grade Level: 5 - 7**

***Ranger's Apprentice Book One: The Ruins of Gorlan* - John Flanagan ©2006** He had always wanted to be a warrior. The Rangers, with their dark cloaks and shadowy ways, made him nervous. The villagers believe the Rangers practice magic that makes them invisible to ordinary people. And now fifteen yearold Will, always small for his age, has been chosen as a Ranger's apprentice. **Age Range: 12 - 14 Years Grade Level: 7 - 9**

Sand Dollar Summer - Kimberly K. Jones ©2008 Twelve-year-old Lise watches her safe world fall apart when her strong, self-reliant mom is injured in a car accident. To recuperate, Mom takes Lise and her bright little brother to live in a rattletrap house on the beach in Maine for the summer. Although her mother grew up there, this is Lise's first experience with the ocean. She's terrified by what may be lurking in the cold depths and confused by the ways that Maine is changing her mother. **Age Range: 11 - 13**

Years Grade Level: 6 - 8

***Shooting the Moon* - Frances O'Roark Dowell ©2009** When twelve-year-old Jamie Dexter's brother joins the Army and is sent to Vietnam, Jamie is plum thrilled. She can't wait to get letters from the front lines describing the excitement of real-life combat: the sound of helicopters, the smell of gunpowder, the exhilaration of being right in the thick of it. **Age Range: 12 - 14 Years Grade Level: 7 - 9**

***So B. It: a novel* - Sarah Weeks ©2004** After spending her life with her mentally retarded mother and agoraphobic neighbor, twelve-year-old Heidi sets out from Reno, Nevada, to New York to find out who she is. **Age Range: 11 - 13 Years Grade Level: 6 - 8**

***The Trial* - Jennifer Bryant ©2004** Living in Flemington, New Jersey, in 1935, a 12year old court observer describes, in a series of poems, the trial of Bruno Hauptmann for the kidnapping and murder of Charles Lindbergh's baby. **Age Range: 12 - 13 Years Grade Level: 7 - 8**

***The Wednesday Wars* - Gary D. Schmidt ©2007** Seventh-grader, Holling Hoodhood, is convinced his teacher hates him. Through their Wednesday afternoon Shakespeare sessions she helps him cope with events both wildly funny and deadly serious. **Newbery Honor Book** **Age Range: 10 - 14 Years** ***Wonder* - R. J. Palacio ©2007** August Pullman was born with a facial deformity that, up until now, has prevented him from going to a mainstream school. Starting 5th grade at Beecher Prep, he wants nothing more than to be treated as an ordinary kid—but his new classmates can't get past Auggie's extraordinary face. **Age Range: 8 - 12 Years**

Story Map

Instructions: Fill in the boxes to show how your story developed.

Name: _____

Characters:

Setting:

Problem:

Title:

Author:

How the Characters Tried to Solve the Problem:

Solution: