

6th – 8th Suggested Summer Reading List 2023-2024

Our desire is for students to find books that will open their eyes and their hearts to the joy of reading, so they will crave to read more. During the summer, please feel free to choose with your child(ren) **2** or more books of their choice on their reading level or beyond for extra credit in the fall.

In order to receive extra credit, students need to create a visual presentation (see project suggestions below) of their favorite scene from one or more of the books they chose **OR** type a 1 full page summary of the plot from each book including main characters. Students will receive credit for each activity turned in. Parents, please make sure the two choices are books that **your child has not read before**. (*Graphic Novels are acceptable and encouraged*)

Suggested books are listed below **Remember, these are suggestions not requirements**

Island of the Blue Dolphins – O’Dell, Scott

The Wingfeather Saga (4 books in series)

The Wonderful Wizard of Oz - Baum

The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe (Lewis)

A Little Princess - Burnett

Old Yeller by Fred Gipson

The Secret Garden – Burnett

The Red Badge of Courage by Stephen Crane

Because of Winn Dixie - DiCamillo

Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte (any of her books)

The Black Stallion - Farley

Anne of Green Gables – L.M. Montgomery (any)

Hoot - Hiassen

Alice in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll

Project Suggestions:

Diorama – include explanation

Costume book for characters – 10 pages

Hand-painted mural depicting several scenes

Make a scroll with timeline of important events

Picture booklet with a minimum of 10 hand drawings

Full-color comic book, graphic novel – 10 pages

Movie – 3 – 5 minutes of YOU acting out a scene

Make a model of an important scene – with explanation

These are just suggestions. **Use your imagination!**

Drawings should be hand drawings NOT cut and paste from internet. No stick figures and no Legos.

NOTE: FOR FULL CREDIT, this MUST be turned in the FIRST week of school. NO EXCEPTIONS!