

Summer Reading 2019

Grades 7-12

This summer, all students in grades 7-12 (except seniors enrolled in AP English) will be reading titles from the following lists. Seniors enrolled in AP English IV will have a separate reading/project requirement. Students are required to obtain copies of their chosen titles, all of which can be readily found in local libraries and bookstores.

Directions: First choose and acquire a book from the following list.

Then, read your work carefully. While you are not required to complete any written component over the summer, we recommend that you annotate your book or keep a reading log/graphic organizer to help you comprehend the work and prepare for an assessment in September. All students will be assessed in their English classes the **FIRST MONDAY** in September. Testing may include, but is not limited to, objective questions, essays, or projects. The precise nature of the September assessment will be decided by your teacher and will be explained when classes resume in the fall. You may also refer to your teacher's website for more information.

Entering 7th Grade, PICK ONE:

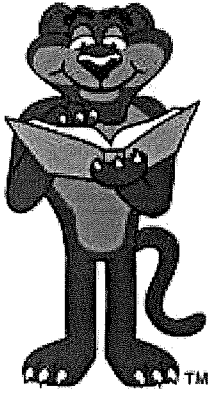
Hidden Talents by David Lubar
Out of my Mind by Sharon Draper
Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech
The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman
Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson

Entering 8th Grade, PICK ONE:

The Devil's Arithmetic by Jane Yolen
Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone by J. K. Rowling
Ender's Game by Orson Scott Card
Lemonade Mouth by Mark Peter Hughes

Entering 9th Grade, PICK ONE:

Dante and Aristotle Discover the Secrets of the Universe by Benjamin Alire Saenz
Monster by Walter Dean Myers
The Perks of Being a Wallflower by Stephen Chbosky
American Born Chinese by Gene Luen Yang
The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie
The Diary of a Young Girl by Anne Frank



Palmyra High School 8th Grade Summer Reading

The following summer reading books were selected so you could compare the characters, setting, and plot of the book to the movie. Choose one book-movie combination from the list and complete the attached chart, which you will be allowed to use to take a quiz given in September. You can also earn extra credit on the quiz for an accurately completed chart.

Title and Author

Synopsis (from Amazon.com)

The Devil's Arithmetic

Jane Yolen

Movie Rating: No Rating

Hannah is tired of holiday gatherings—all her family ever talks about is the past. In fact, it seems to her that's what they do every Jewish holiday. But this year's Passover Seder will be different—Hannah will be mysteriously transported into the past . . . and only she knows the unspeakable horrors that await.

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone

J.K. Rowling

Movie Rating: PG-13

Harry Potter has no idea how famous he is. That's because he's being raised by his miserable aunt and uncle who are terrified Harry will learn that he's really a wizard, just as his parents were. But everything changes when Harry is summoned to attend an infamous school for wizards, and he begins to discover some clues about his illustrious birthright. From the surprising way he is greeted by a lovable giant, to the unique curriculum and colorful faculty at his unusual school, Harry finds himself drawn deep inside a mystical world he never knew existed and closer to his own noble destiny.

Ender's Game

Orson Scott Card

Movie Rating: PG-13

In order to develop a secure defense against a hostile alien race's next attack, government agencies breed child geniuses and train them as soldiers. A brilliant young boy, Andrew "Ender" Wiggin is drafted to the orbiting Battle School for rigorous military training. Is Ender the general Earth needs? The war with the Buggers has been raging for a hundred years, and the quest for the perfect general has been underway for almost as long. Ender's two older siblings are every bit as unusual as he is, but in very different ways. Between the three of them lie the abilities to remake a world. If the world survives, that is.

Lemonade Mouth

Mark Peter Hughes

Movie Rating: G

Poets. Geniuses. Revolutionaries. The members of the legendary band Lemonade Mouth have been called all of these things. But until now, nobody's known the inside story of how this powerhouse band came to be. How five outcasts in Opoquonsett High School's freshman class found each other, found the music, and went on to change both rock and roll and high school as we know it. Wen, Stella, Charlie, Olivia, and Mo take us back to that fateful detention where a dentist's jingle, a teacher's coughing fit, and a beat-up ukelele gave birth to Rhode Island's most influential band. Told in each of their five voices and compiled by Opoquonsett's "scene queen," freshman Naomi Fishmeier, this anthology is their definitive history.

Please return this form on the first day of school.

I, _____, hereby give my child, _____, permission to read the book circled above and watch the movie for a summer reading assignment. I understand that he/she will not receive a grade without this permission form.

Student Name (print) _____

Parent Name (print) _____

Parent Name (sign) _____

Date _____






Happy Reading! English Language Arts Teacher Miss Wallace



Name _____

Book/Movie Title _____

Directions: After you have read your book and watched the movie, write down how the characters, setting, or plot are similar and/or different.

 How was the book different from the movie? <small>Example from <i>The Lightning Thief</i> by Rick Riordan: In the book, Percy, Grover, and Annabeth go to the St. Louis Arch and fight Echidna and her Chimera.</small>	 How were the book and movie similar? <small>Example from <i>The Lightning Thief</i> by Rick Riordan: In both the book and movie, Percy, Grover, and Annabeth get trapped in the Lotus Hotel in Las Vegas after eating the cookies.</small>	 How was the movie different from the book? <small>Example from <i>The Lightning Thief</i> by Rick Riordan: In the movie, Percy, Grover, and Annabeth go to the Parthenon in Nashville and fights the Hydra.</small>