

Summer Reading at Lawrence Middle School

For all Middle School students entering grades 6, 7 & 8
Moving toward higher academic achievement together.

Remember ... Readers are Leaders



This summer we will be using online reading programs to access summer reading books or news articles. You also *have the option* to choose a book from your home or read e-books from the public library. You can download free digital books if you have a library card.

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Completing the Summer Reading assignments helps you grow as a reader. You will also have the opportunity to earn Extra Credit in your ELA class and win HERO Points. HERO points can be traded in at our School Store for AWESOME prizes.

For your summer reading assignment you have a CHOICE. Choose one project to complete.

Choice A: Read 2 Chapter Books and complete the assignment on page 3.

Choice B: Read 6 News Articles and complete assignment on page 4.

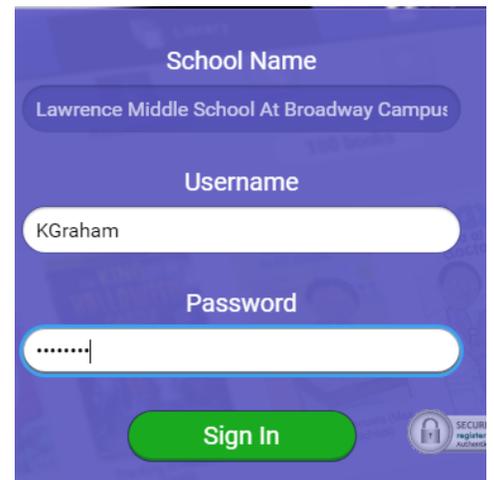
To grow as a reader, you need to flex those reading muscles all summer long. Now, more than ever, we are putting you in charge of your own learning. Your writing assignments are to be handed in to your new ELA teacher in September. **They are due on FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 18th.** Please see the directions on page 3 or 4 for your choice of writing assignment.



myON offers a personalized digital library at every student's fingertips

How to Log-On to myON

- Go to <https://www.myon.com/school/lawrencemiddleschoolatbroadwaycampus20430>
Or go to <https://www.myon.com/login/>
 - Click myON login on the top right
 - Type in for **School Name = Lawrence Middle School**
- Type in **Username** = First initial of your first name and last name
 Example: **(jabbatangelo)**
- Type in **Password = your student ID** number
 (Example: 9999999999)



Notice: There are 2 sections at the top: **Library and News**

For Access to join the Scholastic Summer Read-a-Palooza

How to Log-On to Scholastic Read-a-Palooza

- Go to [scholastic.com/homebase](https://www.scholastic.com/homebase)
- Click Play Now in Orange
- Click Play again on the next screen



Sign In

Username

Password

[FORGOT PASSWORD?](#)

SIGN IN

Don't have an account?

REGISTER NOW

- Click Register Now and complete the registration steps (Be sure to write down the username and password you create!)
- Log-in and find something to read that interests you!



Summer Reading Choice A: Read 2 Chapter Books

LMS Summer Reading Activity Menu

You are expected to read at least **two** (2) chapter books at your reading level. If you choose to read **Chapter Books** pick 1 (one) activity from each column. This = a total of 3 writing/illustrating activities.

<p>Who was telling the story?</p> <p>What evidence from the text supports your answer?</p> <p>How would the story have changed if it was told from a different character's point of view?</p>	<p>Make a T-Chart with "Same" on one side and "Different" on the other. Use the chart to compare yourself to the main character. You should have at least 4 things on each side of the T-Chart.</p>	<p>In your opinion, what is the theme of the story, or message the author is trying to convey. Use 3 pieces of evidence from the text to support your opinion.</p>
<p>What is the character's perspective or motive for his/her actions? How would you have solved the problem if you were in the main character's shoes? Why?</p>	<p>Pick out 2 personality traits the main character of your book possesses (such as mean, helpful, or honest). Write examples to show how the character displays both of these personality traits.</p>	<p>As you read, think about Time Period, Place and Season Why are these important to the story? Describe the setting of your story. Provide Text Evidence I think this setting is important because...</p>
<p>What inferences and/or conclusions can be drawn about characters' thoughts/feelings based on specific details?</p>	<p>Write a letter to one of the characters in the book. In your letter, discuss a big event from the story you read.</p>	<p>Did this book make you laugh? cry? cringe? smile? cheer? Explain.</p>
<p>Do you like the ending of the book? Why or why not? Do you think there is more to tell?</p>	<p>Write a paragraph contrasting this book with another book you have read. Which book did you like better? Why?</p>	<p>Make a list of at least 5 ways that your book would be different if it were set 100 years in the past. Then illustrate one of them.</p>
<p>Summarize your favorite part of the book that you read and describe why it is your favorite part. Include an illustration.</p>	<p>Using specific evidence from the text, describe the setting of the story where most of the events take place. How would the story change if it took place in your city?</p>	<p>Create a new title and cover for your book. Color in your cover. Use evidence from the text to explain why you chose the new title.</p>

Summer Reading Choice B: *Read 6 News Articles*

If you choose to **read news articles** you are required to write at least **six (6)** brief summaries.

Follow the format below for your writing based on what news articles you choose to read this summer

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News Articles

Read at least six (6) articles

Choose **six (6)** of the news articles over the summer from the NEWS section on the myON website and write a paragraph for each one you read. You must include the following information:

- the title of the article and the author/reporter and the date it was published/posted.
- who or what, where and when the article is about
- at least three (3) details from the article
- Do your writing in a Google Document or write on looseleaf paper to hand in and remember to submit it on Friday September 18th.
- Please be sure to include your name and the date.
- Extra HERO points for including pictures/drawings that relate to your news article.