

Rising 7th-Grade Summer Reading

*“There is no such thing as a child who hates to read;
there are only children who have not found the right book.”*

– Frank Serafini

You are on your honor not to select books that you have previously read independently or studied in any class.

Please read at least one of these books for the Battle of the Books.

-Julia Alvarez	<i>Return to Sender</i>
-Holly Black	<i>Doll Bones</i>
-Karen Cushman	<i>The Midwife’s Apprentice</i>
-Dave Eggers	<i>The Eyes and the Impossible</i>
-Kathryn Erskin	<i>Mockingbird</i>
-Lisa Fipps	<i>Starfish</i>
-Sharon Flake	<i>The Skin I’m In</i>
-John Flanagan	<i>Ranger’s Apprentice: The Ruins of Gorlan</i>
-Megan E. Freeman	<i>Alone</i>
-Jean Craighead George	<i>Julie of the Wolves</i>
-Polly Horvath	<i>Everything on a Waffle</i>
-Cynthia Kadohata	<i>The Thing About Luck</i>
-Gordon Korman	<i>Swindle</i>
-Kristin Levine	<i>The Best Luck I Ever Had</i>
-Richard Peck	<i>A Long Way from Chicago</i>
-Laura Amy Schlitz	<i>The Hired Girl</i>
-Jerry Spinelli	<i>Maniac Magee</i>
-Victoria Jamieson and Omar Mohamed	<i>When Stars Are Scattered</i>
-Steve Sheinkin	<i>Undefeated: Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian Football Team</i>

Seventh-Grade ELA. Please read at least one of these books.

-Rochelle Strauss	<i>One Well: The Story of Water on Earth</i>
-Michael Williams	<i>Now Is the Time for Running</i>
-Jan L. Coates	<i>A Hare in the Elephant’s Trunk</i>
-Katherine Applegate	<i>Home of the Brave</i>
-Children’s Theatre Company	<i>Fierce and True: Plays for Teen Audiences</i>
-Peg Kehret	<i>Small Steps: The Year I Got Polio</i>
-Julie Chibbaro	<i>Deadly</i>
-Gail Jarrow	<i>Fatal Fever: Tracking Down Typhoid Mary</i>
-Gail Jarrow	<i>Bubonic Panic: When Plague Invaded America</i>
-Don Brown	<i>Fever Year: The Killer Flu of 1918</i>
-Makiia Lucier	<i>A Death-Struck Year</i>
-Louise Erdrich	<i>The Birchbark House</i>
-Laurie Halse Anderson	<i>Fever 1793</i>
-Charlotte Etinde-Crompton	<i>Augusta Savage: Sculptor of the Harlem Renaissance</i>
-Michelle Mulder	<i>Trash Talk: Moving Toward a Zero-Waste World</i>
-Bryn Barnard	<i>The New Ocean: The Fate of Life in a Changing Sea</i>

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- Mark Kurlansky *World Without Fish*
- Suzanne Jurmain *Secret of the Yellow Death: A True Story of Medical Sleuthing*
- Tamara B. Orr *The Harlem Renaissance: An African American Cultural Movement*
- Jim Haskins *Black Stars of the Harlem Renaissance: African Americans Who Lived Their Dreams*
- Judy Dodge Cummings *Epidemics and Pandemics: Real Tales of Deadly Diseases*