



THE RUMSON COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

2022 Summer Reading for Students Entering the Seventh Grade

Required for Literature:

Harbor Me by Jacqueline Woodson

Students are also required to choose one additional book from the following list:

Born on a Blue Day by Daniel Tammet

Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan

Front Desk by Kelly Yang

The Book Thief by Markus Zusak

Out of my Mind by Sharon Draper

Refugee by Alan Gratz

Words on Fire by Jennifer Nielsen

When Stars Are Scattered by Victoria Jamieson and Omar Mohamed

If your child wishes to read more than the two required books, the list below provides a wide selection of suggested texts. Please note that these additional texts may not be substituted for the required books.

Science Fiction and Fantasy

Anderson, *Memory Thief*

Bradbury, *The Illustrated Man*

Card, *Ender's Game*

Collins, *The Hunger Games**

Colfer, *Artemis Fowl*

Dunn, *Ella Minnow Pea*

Farmer, *The House of the Scorpion*

Funke, *Inkheart*

Goldman, *The Princess Bride*

Sanderson, *Elantris*

Savage, *Karma Moon, Ghost Hunter*

Realistic Fiction

Buyea, *Because of Mr. Terupt**

Chopra, *Fire in the Heart*

Colfer, *The Reluctant Assassin*

Horvath, *My One Hundred Adventures*

Lipsyte, *The Contender*

Mass, *Jermery Fink and the Meaning of Life*

Pearson, *The Scribbler of Dreams*

Realistic Fiction (continued)

Potok, *The Chosen*

Reynolds, *As Brave as You*

Soto, *Baseball in April and Other Stories*

Voight, *Homecoming*

Non-Fiction

Crothers, *The Queen of Katwe*

Frank, *The Diary of a Young Girl*

Hickam, *Rocket Boys* (a.k.a. *October Sky*)

Hillenbrand, *Unbroken* (YA edition), *Seabiscuit*

Lewis, *Kids with Courage: True Stories about Young People Making a Difference*

Murphy, *Truce: The Day the Soldiers Stopped Fighting*

Scott, *Buried Alive: How 33 Miners Survived 69 Days*

Deep Under the Chilean Desert

Thornton, *The Ditchdigger's Daughters*

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Mystery

Brown, *The DaVinci Code (YA edition)*
Christie, *And Then There Were None, Murder on the Orient Express*
Dowd, *Down the Rabbit Hole: An Echo Falls Mystery*
Grisham, *Theodore Boone: Kid Lawyer*
Horowitz, *Stormbreaker (Alex Rider series)*
L'Engle, *The Young Unicorns*

Historical Fiction

Anderson, *Fever 1793*
Fast, *April Morning*
Gratz, *Ground Zero, Prisoner B-3087*
Hahn, *Stepping on Cracks*
Meissner, *A Fall of Marigolds*
Nielsen, *A Night Divided*
Otsuko, *When the Emperor Was Divine*
Robinson, *The Hero Two Doors Down*
Sepetys, *Salt to the Sea*
Wein, *Code Name Verity*

Classics

Alcott, *Little Women*
Austen, *Pride and Prejudice*
Doyle, *The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes*
Hansberry, *A Raisin in the Sun*
Hinton, *The Outsiders*
Knowles, *A Separate Peace*

Poetry/Verse

Alexander, *Booked*
Grimes, *Words with Wings*
Woodson, *Brown Girl Dreaming*

Graphic Novel/Manga

Austen, Tse, *Pride and Prejudice*
Lewis, *March I**
Montgomery, Chan, *Anne of Green Gables*
Spiegelman, *Maus*
Stevenson, *Nimona*
Wood, *Into the Volcano, The Drowned City: Hurricane Katrina and New Orleans*

Sports Fiction

Feinstein, *The Walk On*
Lupica, *Heat*
Ritter, *The Boy Who Saved Baseball*
Van Draanen, *The Running Dream (YA edition)*

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