



# THE URSULINE SCHOOL

## Summer 2022 Reading List

### Middle School

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Welcome to Ursuline Summer Reading, a chance to explore new authors and genres as well as continue to build your reading skills. Below are the titles of required books for your 2022-2023 English class, as well as other titles of works that have been endorsed by students.

You are required to read the novel listed below, under your specific grade level. It is strongly suggested that you read the required book in actual book form so that you may annotate to your heart's desire. (For this reason, an electronic or library book is not optimal because you will need to write in the book, have it in class, and refer to it in discussions.) Here are a few suggestions for annotating as you read your required book:

Underline key passages that you find interesting or important

Use sticky notes or marginal notes to mark observations, questions, and connections

Mark lines that help you understand the characters and plot

Additionally, you must select and highlight at least 3 quotations that are interesting or thought-provoking and be prepared to discuss these quotations in class. There will be a written assessment in September.

<b><i>English 6</i></b>	<b><i>English 7</i></b>	<b><i>English 8</i></b>
<b><i>Count Me In, Versha Barjaj</i></b>	<b><i>Starfish, Lisa Fipps</i></b>	<b><i>You Bring the Distant Near, Mitalia Perkins</i></b>

## Recommended Additional Reading for Middle School

**Choose a book (or two or three!) from this list if you want to keep on reading. Though it is not required, you are encouraged to read for pleasure.**

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*American Born Chinese*, Gene Luen Yang

*Anne of Green Gables*, L.M. Montgomery

*Because of Winn-Dixie*, Kate DiCamillo

*Beastly Brains: Exploring How Animals Think, Talk, and Feel*, Nancy F. Castaldo

*Big Mouth and Ugly Girl*, Joyce Carol Oates

*Braced*, Alyson Gerber

*Eyes and Spies: How You're Tracked and Why You Should Know*, Tanya Lloyd Kyi

*Freak the Mighty*, Rodman Philbrick

*Garden of Angels*, Lurlene McDaniels

*Girl Code: Gaming, Going Viral, and Getting it Done*, Andrea Gonzalez & Sophie Houser

*Harbor Me*, Jacqueline Woodson

*Hero*, S.L. Rottman

*Island of the Blue Dolphins*, Scott O'Dell

*Little Women*, Louisa May Alcott

*Millicent Min, Girl Genius*, Lisa Yee

*One Crazy Summer*, Rita Williams Garcia

*Out of My Mind*, Sharon M. Draper

*Peter and the Starcatcher (series)*, Rick Elice

*Radiance*, Alyson Noel

*Reaching for the Moon: The Autobiography of NASA Mathematician Katherine Johnson*, Katherine Johnson

*Red, White, and Whole*, Rajani Larocca

*Refugee*, Alan Gratz

*Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*, M. Taylor

*Sal and Gabi Break the Universe (series)*, Carlos Hernandez

*Shadow Spinner*, Susan Fletcher

*Stargirl*, Jerry Spinelli

*Teen Trailblazers: 30 Fearless Girls Who Changed the World Before They Were 20*, Jennifer Calvert

*The Chronicles of Narnia*, C. S. Lewis

*The Graveyard Book*, Neil Gaiman

*The Lemonade War*, Jacqueline Davies

*The Lightning Thief (Percy Jackson series)*, Rick Riordan

*The Messenger*, Lois Lowry

*The Pigman*, Paul Zindel

*The Secret Garden*, Frances Hodgson Burnett

*Treasure of the World*, Tara Sullivan

*Tuck Everlasting*, Natalie Babbitt

*Watership Down*, Richard Adams

*Yummy: A History of Desserts*, Victoria Grace Elliot