

2022 Updated Literature List Grades 6-8

Literature lists by grade are provided as a guide to the literature approved by the district literature committee. Classes may "read down" on the list meaning an 8th grade teacher can use titles in grades 6th and 7th. Additional titles will be added as they are approved by the district literature committee. * Denotes that a novel contains mature content. If you have any concerns, please read the novel first and then contact your student's teacher if an alternative novel is requested.

6th grade			
Title	Author	Lexile	Semester
Ancestor Approved	Cynthia Leitich Smith		2nd
Bell Prater's Boy*	Ruth White	760	Honors
Brian's Winter*	Gary Paulsen	1140	
Code Talker*	Joseph Bruchac	910	
Dragonwings*	Laurence Yep	870	
Freedom Walkers*	Russell Freedman		Study Sync Unit 4
Freak, the Mighty*	Rodman Philbrick	1000	
Great Gilly Hopkins*	Katherine Paterson	800	2nd
Hatchet*	Gary Paulsen	1020	Study Sync Unit 1
Harbor Me*	Jacqueline Woodson	630	2nd
Holes*	Louis Sachar	660	
IDEA 33*	Sheala Henke		Honors
In the Footsteps of Crazy Horse*	Joseph Marshall	620	2nd
Let the Circle Be Unbroken*	Mildred Taylor	850	
Lightning Thief *	Rick Riordan	680	Study Sync Unit 2
Number the Stars *	Lois Lowry	670	
Picture of Hollis Woods*	Patricia Reilly Giff	650	
Roll of Thunder, Hear my Cry*	Mildred Taylor		Study Sync Unit 3
Sweetgrass Basket*	Marlene Carvell	1000	
Sitting Bull His Life and Legacy*	Ernie LePointe		IEFA Honors 2nd
So B. It *	Sarah Weeks	860	Honors
Westing Game *	Ellen Raskin	750	
Wrinkle in Time *	Madeleine L'Engle	740	
Year of the Hangman *	Gary Blackwood	820	Honors
7th grade			
Title	Author	Lexile	Semester
A Long Walk to Water*	Linda Sue Park	720	2nd
Between Shades of Gray*	Ruta Sepetys	HL 490	Honors
The Breadwinner*	Deborah Ellis	630	
Call of the Wild*	Jack London	1080	Study Sync Unit 1

Counting Coup: Becoming a Crow Chief*	Herman Viola	950	
Dogsong*	Gary Paulson	930	
Genesis Begins Again*	Alicia Williams	670	2nd
The Giver*	Lois Lowery	760	Study Sync Unit 2
How I Became a Ghost*	Tim Tingle	480	2nd
Kids of Kabul*	Deborah Ellis	800	
Long Walk to Freedom*	Nelson Mandela	1120	Study Sync Unit 3
The Outsiders*	S.E. Hinton	750	
Same Stuff As Stars*	Katherine Patterson	670	
Race to the Sun*	Rebecca Roanhorse	680	1st
Two Old Women*	Velma Wallis	1030	
Wednesday Wars*	Gary Schmidt	990	
8th grade			
Title	Author	Lexile	Semester
And Then There Were None*	Agatha Christie	570	1st
A Night to Remember*	Walter Lord	950	Study Sync Unit 1
Adventures of Tom Sawyer*	Mark Twain	930	Study Sync Unit 3
Allies*	Alan Gratz	780	Book club
Apple in the Middle*	Dawn Quigley	790	IEFA 2nd
Art of Keeping Cool*	Janet Taylor Lisle	730	
Behind the Bedroom Wall*	Laura E. Williams	660	Book club
Book Thief*	Markus Zusak	730	Honors
Boy in the Striped Pajamas*	John Boyne	1080	
Brown Girl Dreaming*	Jacqueline Woodson	990	
Diary of Anne Frank*	Anne Frank	1020	Study Sync Unit 2
Don't Tell the Nazis*	Marsha Forchuk Skrypuch	850	Book club
The Hobbit*	J.R.R. Tolkien	1000	
If I Ever Get Out of Here*	Erin Gansworth	870	2nd
The Little Prince*	Antoine De Saint Exupery	710	Honors
Long Way Down*	Jason Reynolds	720	2nd
Monster*	Walter Dean Myers	670	
Narrative of the Life of Fredrick Douglass*	Fredrick Douglass	1080	Study Sync Unit 4
Plenty Coups: Chief of the Crows*	Frank Linderman		
Projekt 1065*	Alan Gratz	780	Book club
Refugee*	Alan Gratz	800	1st
Resistance*	Jennifer Nielsen	810	Study Sync Unit 2
Soldier's Heart*	Gary Paulson	1000	
Stolen Girl*	Marsha Forchuk Skrypuch	680	Book Club

True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle*	Avi	740	
Ungifted *	Gordon Korman	730	2nd
Who Will Tell My Brother*	Marlene Carvell		Out of print
Winter People*	Joseph Bruchac	800	