During the summer break, each rising sixth grade student should complete the following reading assignments:

- Read *The Season of Styx Malone* by Kekla Magoon (ISBN: 9781524715984)
- Read an age-appropriate choice book

Of course, I hope that you will also choose to read more books on your own!

**Summer Reading Assignment**

Read *The Season of Styx Malone* carefully because we will do activities based on the characters, plot, conflicts, setting, and themes found in the book.

- You may annotate while reading, but you are not required to do so.

**Required Choice Book**

Read one choice book.
- You may not choose books that you have read previously or have been read to you.
- Check out the book recommendations made by past 6th graders!
- Your choice book should be age appropriate. If you are in doubt, do not choose it.
- Your book must have at least 150 pages.
- You should NOT read the following books because you will read them later as an assigned book:
  - *The Watsons Go to Birmingham*
  - *Freak the Mighty*
  - “The Miracle Worker”
  - *D’Aulaires’ Book of Greek Myths*
  - *The Outsiders*
  - *To Kill a Mockingbird*
  - *Tom Sawyer*
  - *The Pearl*
  - *The Giver*
  - *Farewell to Manzanar*
  - *Night*

**Bring The Season of Styx Malone with you on the first day of school.**

If you have any summer reading questions, please email me at akemp@episcopalcollegiate.org!
Book Recommendations for Choice Reading:
Recommendations from Past 6th Graders

Realistic Fiction
Restart
Linked
Other Words for Home
Front Desk
New Kid (Graphic Novel)
Ghost Boys
Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus
The Canyon’s Edge
The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise
Clean Getaway
Shouting at the Rain
House Arrest
Final Season by Tim Green
Before the Ever After
Across the Desert
Fast Pitch
Raymie Nightingale
Crossover
Rebound
Point Guard by Mike Lupica
Ban this Book
Starfish
The Fourteenth Goldfish

Fantasy/Dystopian/Action/Mystery
Keeper of the Lost Cities series
Land of Stories series
The Hunger Games series
The Young Elites
Spy School series
Red Queen series
Dragon Pearl
Trials of Apollo series
Daughter of the Deep
Alone
The World Ends in April
Wings of Fire series

Nonfiction
When Stars Were Scattered
Hidden Figures (Young Readers Edition)
I am Malala (Young Readers Edition)
A Storm Too Soon
All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the
Thai Boys’ Soccer Team
They Called Us Enemy
The Radium Girls (Young Readers Edition)

Historical Fiction
Stella By Starlight
Making Bombs for Hitler
Refugee
The War That Saved My Life
Allies
Bud Not Buddy
Lifeboat 12
Projekt 1065
Prisoner B-3087
Ground Zero
Code of Honor
Grenade
The Lions of Little Rock