

# North Andover Middle School Suggested Summer Reading Grade 6 - Grade 8



#### **FICTION**

Ancestor Approved by Cynthia Leitich Smith (Short Stories)

Before the Ever After by Jacqueline

Woodson (Verse Novel)

Black Bird Blue Road by Sofiya

Pasternack (Fantasy)

Born Behind Bars by Padma

Venkatraman (Realistic)

Final Season by Tim Green (Sports)

Freewater by Amina Lugman-Dawson

(Historical) 2023 Newbery Award Winner

I Must Betray You by Ruta Sepetys

(Historical)

*Iceberg* by Jennifer Nielsen (Historical)

Island of Spies by Sheila Turnage

(Historical / Mystery)

Just Like That by Gary D. Schmidt (Historical)

Maizy Chen's Last Chance by Lisa Yee

(Realistic)

Moonwalking by Zetta Elliot (Verse Novel) New From Here by Kelly Yang (Realistic)

A Night Divided by Jennifer Nielsen

(Historical)

**Northwind** by Gary Paulsen (Survival)

Once Upon an Eid S.K. Ali and Aisha

Saeed (Short Stories)

Save Me a Seat by Sarah Weeks

(Realistic)

A Seed in the Sun by Aida Salazar

(Verse Novel)

Starfish by Lisa Fipps (Verse Novel)

The Door of No Return by Kwame

Alexander (Verse Novel)

The Last Map Maker by Christina

Soontornvat (Fantasy)

The Windeby Puzzle by Lois Lowry

(Historical)

**Tumble** by Celia C. Perez (Realistic) What We Saw by Mary Downing Hahn

(Mystery / Thriller)

Wildoak by C.C. Harrington (Historical) Wolf Hollow by Lauren Wolk (Historical)

Yusuf Azeem is Not a Hero by Saadia

Faruqi (Realistic)





### **SERIES & TRILOGIES**

Alex Rider by Anthony Horowitz Ali Cross by James Patterson

Amari & the Night Brothers by B.B.

Alston

**Bloom Trilogy** by Kenneth Oppel

Crossover by Kwame Alexander

City Spies by James Ponti

Front Desk by Kelly Yang

Embassy Row Trilogy by Ally Carter

Green Glass House by Kate Milford

Guys Read by Jon Scieszka (short stories)

History Smashers by Various Authors (nonfiction)

Keeper of the Lost Cities by Shannon

Messenger

Lost Series by Tod Olson (nonfiction)

Maze Runner by James Dashner

Medical Fiasco Series by Gail Jarrow (nonfiction)

Middle School Series by James

Patterson

Miss Peregrines Home for Peculiar

**Children** by Ransom Riggs

Mo and Dale Mysteries by Sheila

Turnage

One of Us is Lying by Karen McManus

Rick Riordan Presents by Various

Authors

Track Series by Jason Reynolds

True Rescue Series by Michael J.

Tougias (nonfiction)

The Lunar Chronicles by Marissa Meyer

The Missing by Margaret Petersbon

Haddix

Seeds of America Trilogy (Chains) by

Laurie Halse Anderson

Shadow and Bone Trilogy by Leigh

Bardugo

The Shadow Children by Margaret

Peterson Haddix

Spy School by Stuart Gibbs

Theodore Boone by John Grisham

Willow Falls series by Wendy Mass



#### NONFICTION

Abandon Ship! by Micheal J. Tougias

All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave

Rescue of the Thai Bovs' Soccer Team

by Christina Soontornyat

Ambushed! by Gail Jarrow

Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline

Woodson (Written in Verse)

Caught! Nabbing History's Most

Wanted by Georgia Bragg

Carver: A Life in Poems by Marilyn

Nelson

Chasing King's Killer by James L.

Swanson

Fallout: Spies, Superbombs, and the

Ultimate Cold War Showdown by Steve

Sheinkin

Free Lunch by Rex Ogle

Gone to the Woods: Surviving a Lost

Childhood by Gary Paulsen

How to Build a Human in Seven

**Evolutionary Steps** by Pamela S. Turner

Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly

I Am Malala by Malala Yousafzai

In Harm's Way by Micheal J. Tougias

Lost in Outer Space by Tod Olson

Mv Survival: A Girl on Schindler's List

by Rena Finder

Normal: One Kid's Extraordinary

Journey by Magdalena & Nathaniel

Newman

The President Has Been Shot by

James L. Swanson

Seen & Unseen by Elizabeth Partridge

2023 Sibert Award Winner

Torpedoed: The True Story of the

World War II Sinking of "The Children's

Ship by Deborah Heiligman

We Had to be Brave: Escaping the

Nazis on the Kindertransport by

Deborah Hopikinson

Unbroken: An Olympian's Journey

From Airman to Castaway to Captive

by Laura Hillenbrand (YA edition)





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## **GRAPHIC NOVELS**

All's Fair in Middle School by Victoria Jamieson Awkward by Svetlana Chmakova (Realistic)

Bomb by Steven Sheinken (nonfiction)

<u>Cold War Correspondent</u> by Nathan Hale

(nonfiction)

El Deafo by Cece Bell (Memoir)

In the Shadow of the Fallen Towers by Don

Brown (nonfiction)

Invisible by Christina Diaz Gonzalez

Measuring Up by Lily Lamotte

Muhammad Najem, War Reporter by

Muhammad Jamem (Memoir)

Pashmina by Nidhi Chanani

Play Like a Girl by Misty Wilson (Memoir)

Red Scare by Liam Francis Walsh

Rema Chronicles by Amy Kim Kibuishi (Fantasy)

Roller Girl by Victoria Jameison

School Trip by Jerry Craft (Realistic)

Squished by Megan Wagner Lloyd (Realistic)

The Tryout by Christina Soontornvat (Realistic)

When Stars Are Scattered by

Victoria Jameison and Omar Mohamed

<u>Witches of Brooklyn</u> by Sophie Escabasse

## Any Graphic Novels by:

Nathan Hale (Hazardous Tales series)

Shannon Hale (Real Friends series)

Jennifer Holm (Sunny series)

Kazu Kibuishi (Amulet & Explorer series)

Terri Libenson (Emmie & Friends series)

Kayla Miller (Click series)

Maria Scrivan (Nat Series)

Raina Telgemeier (Smile series)

Doug TenNapel (Nnewts trilogy)

**History Comics Series** 

Science Comics Series

The following popular series are also offered in graphic format:

Alex Rider Crossover

I Survived Percy Jackson

Wings of Fire

ALSC Graphic Novels Reading List Best Graphic Novels for Children Scholastic Guide to Graphic Novels

## **AUTHORS**

Kwame Alexander

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Tim Green

Margaret Peterson Haddix

Mary Downing Hahn

Jennifer Holm

Gail Jarrow (nonfiction)

Gordon Korman

Mike Lupica

Wendy Mass

Jim Murphy (nonfiction)

Jennifer Nielsen

Tod Olson (nonfiction)

Gary Paulsen

Jason Revnolds

Rick Riordan

Ruta Sepetys

Steve Sheinkin (nonfiction)

Cynthia Leitich Smith

Rebecca Stead

Michael J. Tougias (nonfiction)

Padma Venkatraman

Jacqueline Woodson

Kelly Yang

# READ AT LEAST THREE BOOKS OF YOUR CHOICE!

### Note:

The following books are ONLY SUGGESTIONS. Please feel free to read any book that interests you.

Please note that the reading level of the suggested books vary. To determine if a book is for you:

- Read book summaries
- Read the first few pages
- Read book reviews
- Utilize the following tools:

Commonsense Media

DOGObooks

Novelist Database
Scholastic Book Wizard

**Stevens Memorial Library** 

Summer at the Stevens



**Teen Summer Brochure** 

(Weekly Programs for Grades 6-12)

**NAMS Library** 

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