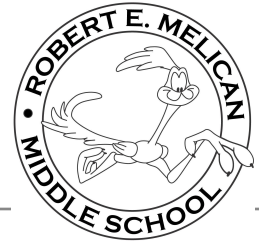


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**ROBERT E. MELICAN MIDDLE SCHOOL  
SUMMER READING  
FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 6-8  
2023-2024**

Together with the Trottier Middle School community, our summer reading theme is **Celebrating Our Connections**. Books and stories help to connect us with other people and the world around us, and they can also help to reconnect us with ourselves as we reflect on our own experiences. These connections have the power to build knowledge, character, and strong communities.

**Required Summer Reading Task for all Melican students entering grade 6-8:**

The Association for Library Service to Children (ALSC), a division of the American Library Association, annually publishes a summer reading list and additionally awards the Newbery Medal to the author of the most distinguished contribution to American literature for children.

- Read at least one book from either of the two ALSC lists. These lists span grade 6-8; please be aware of the varying levels of difficulty and maturity. We encourage parents and caregivers to explore the options in order to choose a text that matches their child's level.
  - [ALSC Summer Reading List 2023 Grade 6-8](#) Please note that this list includes a **digital** section; completing an option from the digital section **does not** meet the reading requirement.
  - [Newbery Medal Winners from 2013-2023](#)
- Complete the summer reading 2023 participation and reflection form [linked here](#).

**Optional Extension Activities:**

- Log your reading using the [Northborough Public Library Summer Reading Teen Program log](#). More information about the Northborough public library's summer reading program can be found at the [Northborough Public Library website](#).
- Complete one of the **digital** options on the [ALSC Summer Reading List 2023 Grade 6-8](#). These options offer podcasts, an interactive website, and virtual field trips.