



THE RUMSON COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

2024 Summer Reading for Students Entering the Sixth Grade

Required:

The Lost Library by Rebecca Stead and Wendy Mass

Students are also required to choose one additional book from the following list:

The Eyes and The Impossible by Dave Eggers

Ferris by Kate DiCamilla

The One and Only Family by Katherine Applegate

Fish in a Tree by Lynda Mullalee Hunt

Hatchet by Gary Paulsen

Hummingbird by Natalie Lloyd

If your child wishes to read more than the two required books, the list below provides a wide selection of suggested texts. Please note that these additional texts may not be substituted for the required books.

Adventure

Avi, *Crispin* series*

Burnford, *The Incredible Journey*

Cameron, *A Dog's Journey*

O'Dell, *Island of the Blue Dolphin*

Mystery/Realistic Fiction

Balliett, *Chasing Vermeer*

Bosch, *The Secret**

Buckley, *The Sisters Grimm**

Gibbs, *FunJungle**

Gibbs, *Spy School**

Grabenstein, *Mr. Lemoncello's Library**

Oh, *Spirit Hunters**

Stead, *Liar and Spy*

Stewart, *The Mysterious Benedict Society**

Turnage, *Three Times Lucky**

Realistic Fiction

Agosin, *I Lived on Butterfly Hill*

Applegate, *Home of the Brave*

Applegate, *The One and Only Ivan*

Buyea, *Saving Mr. Terupt*

Choldenko, *Al Capone Does my Shirts*

Crowder, *Parched*

Realistic Fiction (continued)

Draper, *Blended*

Draper, *Out of My Mind*

Erskine, *Mockingbird*

Green, *Football Hero*

Hiassen, *Hoot*

Hunt, *Fish in a Tree*

Holt, *When Zackary Beaver Came to Town*

Korman, *Unplugged*

Levine, *Dave at Night*

Lord, *Rules*

Martin, *Rain, Reign, A Corner of the Universe*

Mass, *Every Soul A Star*

McKinlay, *Below*

Medina, *Merci Suarez series*

Myers, *Hoops*

Palacio, *Auggie and Me*

Palacio, *Wonder*

Schmidt, *Lizzie Bright and the Buckminster Boy*

Selznick, *The Marvels*

Sloan, *Counting by 7's*

Smith, *Another Kind of Hurricane*

Spinelli, *Stargirl*

Williams-Garcia, *One Crazy Summer*

Yep, *Ribbons*

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Fantasy

Applegate, *Crenshaw*
Barnhill, *The Girl Who Drank the Moon*
Clare, *City of Bones*
Clements, *Things Not Seen*
Cooper, *The Dark Is Rising Sequence**
DuPrau, *The City of Ember**
Ellis and Meloy, *Wildwood*
Funke, *The Thief Lord*
Law, *Savvy*
Lin, *Where the Mountain Meets the Moon*
Nielsen, *Mark of The Thief, Ascendance Trilogy**
Oppel, *The Nest*
Paolini, *Eragon**
Riordan, *Gods of Olympus, Kane Chronicles**
Rowling, *Harry Potter**
Sciescka, *Guys Read**

Historical Fiction

Brink, *Caddie Woodlawn*
Draper, *Stella by Starlight*
Gantos, *Dead End in Norvelt*
Giff, *Lily's Crossing*
Gratz, *Refugee, Grenade, Projekt 1065*
Park, *A Single Shard*
Peck, *A Long Way from Chicago*

Poetry/Verse

Alexander, *The Crossover*
Fehler, *Beanball*
Grimes, *Garvey's Choice*
Lai, *Inside Out and Back Again*
Pinkney, *The Red Pencil*
Rose, *May B*

Classics

Burnett, *The Secret Garden*
Du Bois, *The Twenty-One Balloons*
Grahame, *The Wind in the Willows*
Montgomery, *Anne of Green Gables**
Sewell, *Black Beauty*
Steinbeck, *The Red Pony*
Wilder, *The Long Winter**

Graphic Novels

Bell, *El Deafo*
Holm, *Sunny Side Up*
Jamieson, *Roller Girl*
Telgemeier, *Smile*
Wang, *Stargazing*

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