

**PENN-DELCO SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**NORTHLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**SUMMER READING**

**GRADE 6**

**2024**

Dear Parents and Students:

All of us who are involved in teaching English Language Arts acknowledge the value of practicing reading all year long – not just during the school year. For that reason, we have developed a required summer reading assignment because we believe it will help students meet academic challenges in the coming year and encourage them to develop independent reading habits.

Students will have a **choice** for the required book for summer reading. Both versions of "Booked" are written by Kwame Alexander; one is a **graphic novel** and the other is a novel written in **verse** (poetry). Both versions explore similar themes, such as family dynamics, friendship, love, resilience, and the power of words and literature.

**Booked by Kwame Alexander:**

Soccer, family, love, and friendship, take center stage as twelve-year-old Nick learns the power of words as he wrestles with problems at home, stands up to a bully, and tries to impress the girl of his dreams. Helping him along are his best friend and sometimes teammate Coby, and The Mac, a rapping librarian who gives Nick inspiring books to read. Nick learns valuable lessons about resilience, self-expression, and the importance of staying true to oneself.

**Directions for students entering Grade 6:**

1. Read one of the required novels (graphic novel or verse).
2. Complete the attached assignment using complete, detailed sentences. (3 worksheets)
3. Bring assignment to school in September.

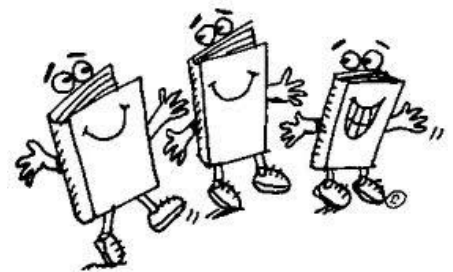
The following places will be resources to help you obtain your summer reading books.

- Aston Public Library & Delaware County Library Systems
- Barnes & Noble
- Amazon.com

Thank you in advance for your support!

Sincerely,

The 6<sup>th</sup> Grade English Language Arts Teachers



# Follow Northley Middle School's Viking Vision



## RESPECTFUL

- Understand character's perspectives
- Be sensitive to other's point of views



## RESPONSIBLE

- Follow ALL directions- do not leave any parts blank
- If you need help- ask parents and friends
- Complete entire assignment



## READY

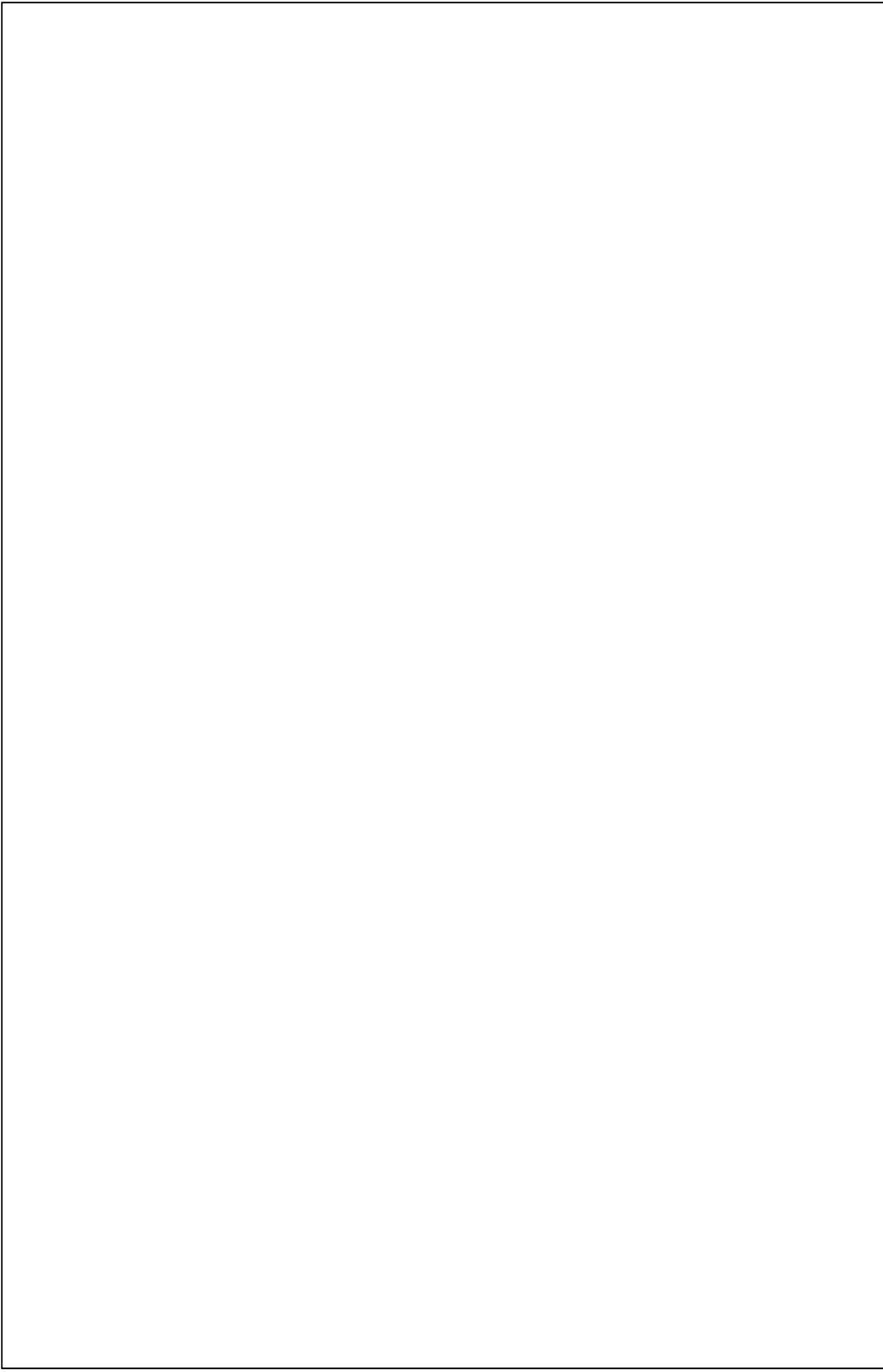
- Bring completed assignment to school in September

*Start sixth grade off on a great foot!!! 😊*

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: Draw a scene from the story. Make sure your scene is neat and colorful.

Write a caption that describes your scene in a complete sentence. Remember grammar & punctuation.



Caption: \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: Complete each section below in at least 5-7 complete sentences.

**Explain the main conflict and how was it solved.**

*(What was the problem? What was the solution?)*

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**Describe the setting of the novel.**  
*(Where and when does the story take place?)*

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**Describe the main character of the story.**

*(What do they look like? How do they act? Include any other important information about the character.)*

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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: Complete each section below in at least 5-7 complete sentences.

**Summarize the most important event in the novel.**

(What is the event and why is it so important to the novel?)

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**Describe your favorite part of the novel.**

(What is the event and why is it your favorite part?)

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**Make any connection to the novel.**

(Compare any part of the story to yourself/another story/the world. Explain how and why they are connected to each other.)

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