

7th Grade Summer Reading 2024-2025

All incoming NMS students are required to read one book this summer: ***Booked*** by Kwame Alexander in either the verse **OR** graphic novel format. *Booked* is Northley's One Book One School selection for the 2024-2025 school year.

Overview: In this follow-up to the Newbery-winning novel, *The Crossover*, 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. This electric and heartfelt story by poet Kwame Alexander bends and breaks as it captures all the thrills and setbacks, action and emotion of a World Cup match! The book's themes of survival, friendship, perseverance, and selflessness connect to many of the programs currently in place at NMS.

Directions for all students entering Grade 7:

1. Read *Booked* by Kwame Alexander in either the verse or graphic novel format.
2. Complete the attached graphic organizer and bring it to ELA Reading on the first day of school in September.
3. Take a Reading Counts quiz after July 1st or during the first week of school.

Booked is available in both print and digital versions in community libraries (such as the Aston Public Library), local bookstores, and through sites such as Amazon.

This information is available on the Penn-Delco website at www.pdsd.org, and will be reviewed and discussed in ELA classes before the end of the school year. Thank you in advance for your support of our summer reading program.

Name _____

7th Grade SUMMER READING STORY MAP

Title _____

Author: _____

Before Reading:

Predict: what do you think this book is about? _____

In your own words, what do you learn from the summary of the book (back or inside flap)? _____

Read the first two chapters. What is the setting of the story? Include where and when it takes place.

Make a personal connection to the topic of this story. _____

During Reading:

List 8 Important Events in the story. These events must include beginning, middle, and end of the story.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

Main Character:

Describe this character's personality: _____

What does this character care about? _____

Find a quote by the main character that shows "who they are" or "what they believe."

What does the above quote say about them?

After Reading:

What is a theme in this novel? _____

Give an example from the story to support this theme: _____

Write a 5 sentence **summary** of this novel. Focus on the big ideas, not on the details: _____

Would you recommend this book? Why or why not? _____