

## 2024 Middle School Summer Reading

Two lucky books will be read by you this summer, and they're eager to leap off the shelves into your hands...

1. Please read the following titles for your required book:

***When Stars Are Scattered*, Jamieson, V. and Mohamed, O.**

Heartbreak, hope, and gentle humor exist together in this graphic novel about a childhood spent waiting, and a young man who is able to create a sense of family and home in the most difficult of settings. It's an intimate, important, unforgettable look at the day-to-day life of a refugee, as told to *New York Times* Bestselling author/artist Victoria Jamieson by Omar Mohamed, the Somali man who lived the story. \*

\*adapted from amazon.com

2. For your second book, you have a . . .

**Free Choice:** With students' varied interests in mind, the second required book will be customized. Do you gravitate towards nonfiction, graphic novels, autobiographies, science fiction? Choose a novel that piques *your* interest!

Criteria:

- 1) The subject matter must be age-appropriate.
- 2) Choose a book at your reading level.
- 3) The title must be approved by a parent.
- 4) If you need help with ideas, check out this website:

<https://www.nypl.org/books-music-movies>