7th Grade Summer Reading Project 2025-2026

Directions: Read a book of your choice or select one of the suggested titles below. Choose ONE of the options below. All submissions must be hard copies. Do not submit a digital copy. Follow the directions for the option of your choice. Use the template to create your project. Feel free to get creative!

Suggested Titles:
Two Degrees by Alan Gratz
Counting by 7s by Holly Goldberg Sloan
The Finest Hours by Casey Sherman and Michael J. Tougias
The Name of this Book is Secret by Pseudonymous Bosch
New Kid by Jerry Craft
Ship Breaker by Paolo Bacigalupi
The Water Dancer by Ta-Nehisi Coates
Before the Ever After by Jacqueline Woodson
Or choose one of your own!

Due on first day of 2025-2026 school year! Please email Mrs. Kegarise at kkegarise@kasd.org or Ms. Engwall at kengwall@kasd.org with any questions.

Option #1: One-Pager

Use construction paper, cardstock, or printer paper to create a one-page poster depicting the features of your book in words, images, and symbols. Be sure to include the following:

- **Your Name**
- **Book Title**
- **Author**
- **Genre**
- **# of pages**
- **Main characters**
- **Theme**
- **Summary** (what happened in the story?)
- **Favorite quote**
- **Review the book**
- **Image** (include a photo or drawing that relates to the book)

Option #2: Character Journal Entry

Directions: Choose ONE character from your novel. Then choose THREE different scenes from the story to retell in journal entry form. Invent an approximate date for each entry. Write in first person narration from your character's perspective. Write from their "voice." How might you convey their personality through your writing? Consider their vocabulary, personality, and attitude. Be sure to include details about the plot and conflict. Convey your character's thoughts, emotions, etc. EACH of the THREE entries should be at least TWO paragraphs in length. Use the template below to craft your entries.

Character Journal Entry

Your Name
Book Title
Author
Genre
# of pages

Character's Name:

Entry #1 **Date:**

Entry #2 **Date:**

Entry #3 **Date:**

Option #3: Graphic Novel Page

Directions: Depict your favorite scene from your book in graphic novel format. Use the graphic novel template provided to structure your page. You must include 1) illustrations, 2) captions, and 3) thought or speech bubbles. See the examples below. Notice the use of color and shading, detailed illustrations, captions in certain frames to describe what is happening in the scene, and character's speech or thought bubbles to show dialogue. In addition to the **graphic novel page**, be sure to include a **cover page** that identifies the following elements:

Your Name
Book Title
Author
Genre
# of pages



