

BLIND BROOK
MIDDLE SCHOOL
SUMMER READING 2025

June 2025



Dear Parents/Guardians of Incoming 6th Graders:

Reading for understanding AND enjoyment is a major factor in your child(ren)'s success as a student. Good readers read often, and reading in a consistent manner over the summer months, let's say fifteen to twenty minutes each day rather than a lot all at once, will keep their reading in great shape!

This summer we are assigning, *Out of My Mind*, by Sharon Draper, to all incoming sixth graders for summer reading (we will supply copies of the book).

Due to the length of *Out of My Mind*, no other books will be 'required' reading this summer. However, we encourage all of our students to read, read, read. If your child(ren) has already read *Out of My Mind*, he/she should reread the novel. Reading a book for school is much different than reading a book solely for pleasure.

Although notes will not be a part of any grade, it is still **HIGHLY SUGGESTED** that students keep a visual record of their reading. This can be done in any number of ways:

- Use "stickies," or post-its to track thoughts across a book,
- Use a graphic organizer to track the story line (a plot line template has been provided on the back of this sheet that students can use if they choose),
- Use any additional note styles...note (index) cards, etc., that have worked for your son/daughter in the past.

Students must bring their copies of Out of My Mind to the first day of school, Tuesday, September 2nd. We are looking forward to a terrific new school year...have a great summer!!!

The 6th Grade ELA Team

