

Wilson County Schools

Summer

Scholars Guide

Grades K-8



District Letter

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Dear Wilson County Schools Families,

As the school year concludes, it is important to our educators and families that we provide opportunities for children to stay engaged with learning during the summer. To help support you and your child, Wilson County Schools will provide families with an individualized progress report identifying your child's strengths and needs. Along with this individualized report, you will have access to a Summer Scholars Guide that includes curriculum standards and recommended reading material to help support your child's learning over the summer.

Students in grades K-8 will receive a *For Families* i-Ready report for math and reading, which are individualized for each student. i-Ready is an online diagnostic tool that helps teachers determine your child's needs and monitor progress throughout the school year. The *For Families* report provides a snapshot of your child's strengths and areas where additional support may be needed. We encourage you to discuss these results with your child and celebrate their strengths and progress.

The WCS Summer Scholars Guide serves as a resource for families and aims to minimize summer learning loss and promote preparation for the upcoming school year. You can locate the Scholars Guide on our website (www.wcschools.com) under the Students & Family section. In the Scholars Guide, you will find a list of academic standards for English Language Arts, math, science, and social studies along with recommended book lists.

We know that reading is one of the best things your child can do over the summer. The list of books provided in the Summer Scholar Guide includes selections from the Wilson County Protected Reading List and the Volunteer State Book Award list. We also encourage you to visit your local branch library where they have books and activities for students of all ages.

We wish your family a fun and safe break and look forward to seeing your child back in school next fall!

Thank you,

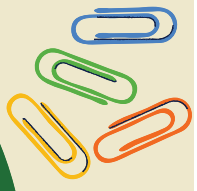

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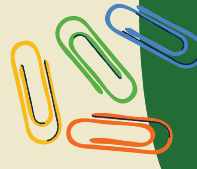
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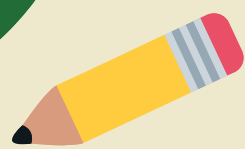
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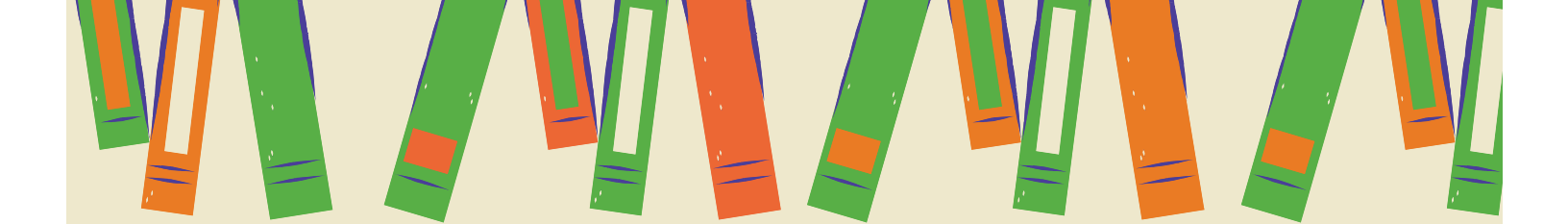


Science



Social Studies





Volunteer State Book Award List Nominations

Great ideas for summer reading!

Kindergarten - 2nd Grade

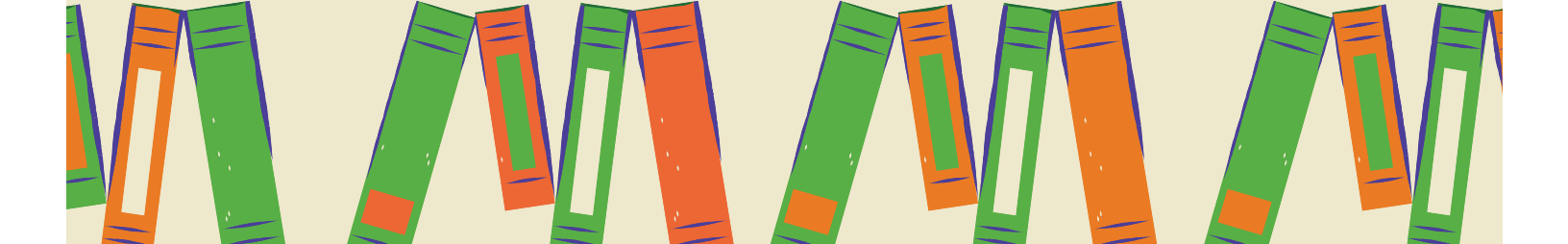
- **The Interpreter** by Olivia Abtahi
- **Every Monday Mabel** by Jashar Awan
- **I Got You: A Brother's Promise** by Derrick Barnes
- **Zip Zap Wickety Wack** by Matthew Diffee
- **The Marvelous Now** by Angela DiTerlizzi
- **Caboose** by Travis Jonker
- **No More Chairs** by Dan Gill
- **The Day the Books Disappeared** by Joanna Ho
- **The Snowball Fight** by Beth Ferry
- **Broken** by X. Fang
- **This Is Not A Sleepy Bear Book** by Brian Gehrlein
- **So Tortoise Dug** by Emmy Kastner
- **Cat Nap** by Brian Lies
- **Venus!: Fierce and Fabulous** by Stacy McAnulty
- **I Hear the Snow, I Smell the Sea** by Janice Milusich
- **Firefly Song** by Colleen Paeff
- **The 13th Day of Christmas** by Adam Rex
- **Recess** by Lane Smith
- **The Library in the Woods** by Calvin Ramsey
- **Family Feast** by Carole Weatherford

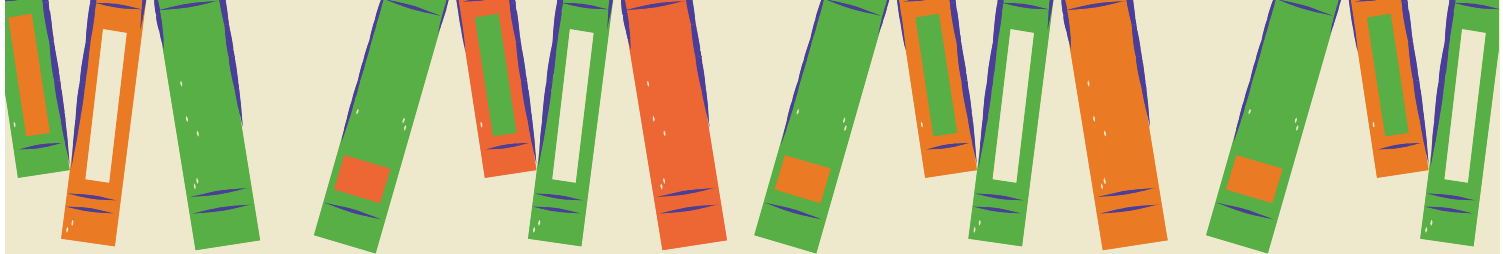
3rd Grade - 5th Grade

- **The Trouble with Heroes** by Kate Messner
- **Safe Harbor** by Padma Venkatraman
- **Dream On** by Shannon Hale
- **Troubling Tonsils!** by Aaron Reynolds
- **The Freedom Seeker** by Ruchira Gupta
- **Pocket Bear** by Katherine Applegate
- **Mixed Up** by Kami Garcia
- **The Unlikely Tale of Chase and Finnegan** by Jasmine Warga
- **Firefly Song**: Lynn Frierson Faust and the Great Smoky Mountain Discovery by Colleen Paeff
- **The Spider Lady**: Nan Songer and Her Arachnid World War II Army by Penny Klostermann
- **The Undead Fox of Deadwood Forest** by Aubrey Hartman
- **Isle of Ever** by Jen Calonita
- **The World Entire**: A True Story of an Extraordinary World War II Rescue by Elizabeth Brown
- **Busted** by Dan Gemeinhart
- **How to Talk to Your Succulent** by Zoe Persico
- **Gus and Glory** by Sarah Guillory
- **The Hurricane Heist** by James Ponti
- **Back in Business** by Sharee Miller
- **Cincinnati Lee, Curse Breaker** by Heidi Heilig
- **Rewilding** by Lisa Gerlits

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6th Grade - 8th Grade

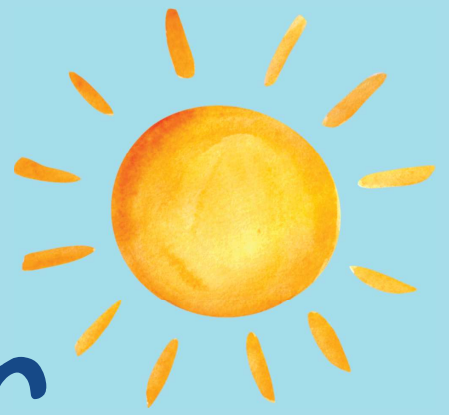
- Bradley, Kimberly Brubaker. *The Night War*. Dial Books, 2024.
- Choldenko, Gennifer. *The Tenth Mistake of Hank Hooperman*. Alfred A. Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2024.
- Fagan, Deva. *A Game of Noctis*. Atheneum Books for Young Readers, 2024.
- Fleming, Candace. *The Enigma Girls: How Ten Teenagers Broke Ciphers, Kept Secrets, and Helped Win World War II*. Scholastic Focus, 2024.
- Fong, Debbie. *Next Stop: A Graphic Novel*. Random House Graphic, 2024.
- Forman, Gayle. *Not Nothing*. Aladdin Paperbacks, 2024.
- Gratz, Alan. *Heroes: A Novel of Pearl Harbor*. Scholastic Press, 2024.
- Graudin, Ryan. *The Girl Who Kept the Castle*. Quill Tree Books, 2024.
- Hung, Louise. *Hungry Bones*. Scholastic Press, 2024.
- Korman, Gordon. *Slugfest*. HarperCollins, 2024.
- LaRocca, Rajani. *Sona and the Golden Beasts*. Quill Tree Books, 2024.
- Lloyd, Natalie. *The Witching Wind*. Scholastic Press, 2024.
- Meadows, Jodi. *Bye Forever, I Guess*. Holiday House, 2024.
- Ponti, James. *The Sherlock Society*. Aladdin Paperbacks, 2024.
- Schu, John. *Louder Than Hunger*. Candlewick Press, 2024.
- Sepetys, Ruta and Steve Sheinkin. *The Bletchley Riddle*. Viking Books for Young Readers, 2024.
- Ursu, Anne. *Not Quite a Ghost*. Walden Pond Press, 2024.
- Wang, Jen. *Ash's Cabin*. First Second, 2024.
- Williams, Alicia D. and Danica Novgorodoff. *Mid-Air*. Atheneum Books, 2024.
- Yang, Gene Luen and Leuyen Pham. *Lunar New Year Love Story*. First Second, 2024.



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Summer Learning!

Free Digital Resources to
CULTIVATE growth and continue
learning this Summer!



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6-8



K-8



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PROGRAMS LISTED ABOVE WILL BE
ACTIVE FOR STUDENTS UNTIL
JUNE 28TH



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*Have a
Great
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