2026-2027 Middle School Summer Reading

Rising 6th Grade Summer Reading
Students are required to read **two** books over the summer and complete a visual presentation over the required reading and a quotation assignment over the choice reading. Students will need to bring their copies of the novels to class the first weeks of school.

A. **Everyone will read *Where the Red Fern Grows* by Wilson Rawls and complete the visual presentation assignment.** Current students will receive this packet before they leave school for the summer, and a pdf copy of this assignment is provided here for new students.

B. **Students will choose ONE title from the following list and complete the Quote Activity in their packets for their choice book as they read.** Current students will receive this packet before they leave school for the summer, and a pdf copy of this assignment is provided here for new students. Parents, please review and approve your student's choice of book.

1. *Auggie & Me* by R. J. Palacio
   Genre: Realistic Fiction
   Auggie & Me gives readers a special look at Auggie's world through three different points of view. This is the sequel to *Wonder*.

2. *Peak* by Roland Smith
   Genre: Fiction
   Peak is about the challenges a boy faces and changes he goes through as he climbs Mt. Everest and tall buildings in New York City.

3. *Esperanza Rising* by Pam Munoz Ryan
   Genre: Historical Fiction
   Esperanza Rising is a story of a family whose lives change drastically when they are forced to flee to California because of dramatic events. This story is set during the Great Depression in the 1930s.