School year 2026-27

Sixth:

6th grade summer reading focuses on fostering a love of reading. Students choose at least two books to read over the summer and should browse all genres to find books that spark their interest. We encourage parents to let students choose from the links below. During the first days of school, students will discuss and write about one of their choice books.

1. Required: choose one Newbery or National Book Award Winner or Honor Book
    - Newbery List: http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/newbery
    - National Book Award List: https://www.nationalbook.org/national-book-awards/years/
        - Be sure to search for the award for Young People's Literature
2. Required Choice Book: choose any fiction or non-fiction book

Seventh:

7th grade summer reading continues our focus on encouraging a love of reading. As our middle schoolers get older, we want to introduce them to award-winning texts for teens. The Printz Award is given to literature written for teenagers. Students choose at least two books to read over the summer and should browse books that spark their interest. During the first days of school, students will discuss and write about one of their choice books.

1. Required: Choose one Newbery, Printz, or National Book Award Winner or Honor Book
    - Newbery List: http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/newbery
    - Printz Award List: https://www.ala.org/yalsa/printz-award
    - National Book Award List: https://www.nationalbook.org/national-book-awards/years/
        - Be sure to search for the award for Young People's Literature
2. Required Choice Book: choose any fiction or non-fiction book

Eighth:
The 8th grade summer reading focus is to discover quality memoirs and stories in award-winning books geared for young adults. The Printz Award is given to literature written for teenagers. During the first few days of school, students will discuss, critique, and write about their two chosen texts.

1. Required: Choose one memoir or biography, preferably geared to young adults
2. Required: Choose one Printz Award Winner or Printz Honor Book
    - Printz Award List: https://www.ala.org/yalsa/printz-award