

IRCS Families,

We hope your summer is off to a great start!

Attached you will find the recommended summer reading list in order by grade level. If your child reads any of the books on the list located under their upcoming grade level, they will be given a short assessment of the novel/s upon their return to school. While we encourage you to read as much as possible this summer, extra credit will only be awarded for up to three books on the list. Please note that you do not have to read three books, but that is the maximum extra credit you can receive.

**This is for regular and honors classes ONLY. This does not apply to AP classes.**

**If you are taking an AP class, Mr. Stepp will send you an email regarding your REQUIRED reading.**

If you have any questions about regular or honors classes please email:

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Thank you,

IRCS English Department

## **Middle School Recommended Summer Reading List**

### **6th grade**

1. The Chronicles of Narnia by C.S. Lewis
  - a. The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe
  - b. Prince Caspian
  - c. The Voyage of the Dawn Treader d. The Silver Chair
  - e. The Horse and His Boy
  - f. The Magician's Nephew
  - g. The Last Battle
2. Because of Winn-Dixie by Kate DiCamillo
3. Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz Ryan
4. Charlotte's Web by E.B. White
5. Children of the Dust Bowl by Jerry Stanley (nonfiction, informational text)

### **7th grade**

1. Shiloh, Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
2. Sign of the Beaver, Elizabeth George Speare
3. The Summer of the Swans, Betsy Byars
4. The Black Stallion, Walter Farley
5. The Watsons go to Birmingham, Christopher Paul Curtis
6. By Darkness Hid, by Jill Williamson
7. Life Just Got Real, by Sadie Robertson

### **8th grade**

1. Nine-Ten, Nora Raleigh Baskin
2. Walk 2 Moons, Sharon Creech
3. The Incredible Journey, Sheila Burnford
4. National Velvet, Enid Bagnold
5. Defined: Who God Says You Are, Stephen Kendrick, Alex Kendrick
6. I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up For Education and Changed the World (Young Readers Edition), Malala Yousafzai

# High School Recommended Summer Reading List

## **9th grade**

1. And There Were None, Agatha Christie
2. The Book Thief, Markus Zusak
3. A Night to Remember, Walter Lord
4. The Swiss Family Robinson, Johann David Wyss
5. The Ruins of Gorlan, Ranger's Apprentice, John
6. The Angel Experiment, Maximum Ride, James Patterson
7. Hound of the Baskervilles, Arthur Conan Doyle
8. Of Beetles and Angels: A Boy's Remarkable Journey from a Refugee Camp to Harvard, Mawi Asgedom
9. Farewell to Manzanar: A True Story of Japanese American Experience During and After the World War II Internment, Jeanne Wakatsuki Houston, James D. Houston

## **10th grade**

1. The Power of a Praying Teen by Stormie Omartian
2. A Raisin in the Sun by Lorraine Hansberry
3. The Grapes of Wrath by John Steinbeck
4. Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe
5. The Old Man and The Sea by Ernest Hemingway
6. The Red Badge of Courage by Stephen Crane
7. Emma by Jane Austen
8. To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee
9. Hidden Figures by Margot Lee Shetterly (not young reader's edition)
10. The Three Musketeers by Alexandre Dumas

## **11th grade**

1. Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen
2. The Pilgrim's Progress by John Bunyan
3. Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens
4. Out of the Silent Planet by C.S. Lewis
5. Gulliver's Travels by Johnathan Swift

## **12th grade**

1. Through Gates of Splendor, Elisabeth Elliot
2. I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings, Maya Angelou
3. Surprised by Joy: The Shape of My Early Life, C.S. Lewis
4. Night, Elie Wiesel
5. The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde and Other Tales of Terror, Robert Louis Stevenson
6. Rebecca, Daphne du Maurier
7. Cheaper by the Dozen, Frank B. Gilbreth Jr., Ernestine Gilbreth Carey
8. The Zookeeper's Wife, Diane Ackerman
9. When The Legends Die, Hal Borland
10. October Sky, Homer Hickam