

APPENDIX I
2024 SUMMER READING LIST*

ELEMENTARY

THIRD GRADE

Required Reading: *The World According to Humphrey*, Betty G. Birney

Extra Credit: *Dinosaurs Before Dark*, Mary Pope Osborne
Jack Plank Tells Tall Tales, Natalie Babbit
Mummies in the Morning, Mary Pope Osborne
Little House on the Prairie, Laura Ingalls Wilder
Masterpiece, Elise Broach

3rd grade students may choose 3 extra credit books to read from the list of 5 titles above. Students will take an AR test over each book read upon returning to school in August for credit.

FOURTH GRADE

Required Reading: *Saving Winslow*, Sharon Creech

Extra Credit: *George's Marvelous Medicine*, Roald Dahl
Code word Courage, Kirby Larson
Friendship War, Andrew Clements
Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing, Judy Blume
Tumbleweed Skies, Valerie Sherrard

4th & 5th grade students should complete an [Elementary Summer Reading Extra Credit Verification](#) for each book read upon returning to school in August for credit. This form should be handwritten Extra credit will be applied to 1st quarter grades.

FIFTH GRADE

Required Reading: *Because of Winn Dixie*, Kate DiCamillo

Extra Credit: *Prince Caspian*, C.S. Lewis
From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler, E.L. Konigsburg
Scumble, Ingrid Law
Switch, Ingrid Law

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MIDDLE SCHOOL

SIXTH GRADE

Required Reading: (Choose **one** of the following novels to read over the summer break and be ready to write a critic's essay in class. Instructions on how to write a critic's essay will be given the first week of school. Additional novels may be read for extra credit. Extra credit will be determined by the passing of an AR test at the beginning of the school year. Complete [this form](#) for each extra credit book that you read)

The Twenty-One Balloons, William Pené duBois

Around the World in 80 Days, Jules Verne

Hatchet, Gary Paulsen (or any subsequent novels in the series)

Swiss Family Robinson, Johann Wyss

The Christmasaurus, Tom Fletcher

The Chronicles of Narnia Series, C.S. Lewis (Any book from the series will suffice).

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Roald Dahl

The Wild Robot, Peter Brown

SEVENTH GRADE

Required Reading: (Choose **one** of the following novels to read over the summer break and be ready to write a critic's essay in class. Instructions on how to write a critic's essay will be given the first week of school. Additional novels may be read for extra credit. Extra credit will be determined by the passing of an AR test at the beginning of the school year. Complete [this form](#) for each extra credit book that you read)

Tuck Everlasting, Natalie Babbitt

Little Women, Louisa May Alcott

The Series of Unfortunate Events Novels, Lemony Snicket (Any book from the series will suffice).

Holes, Louis Sachar

The Yearling, M.K. Rawlings

The Boy Who Harnessed The Wind, Byran Mealer and William Kamkwamba

Operation Do-Over, Gordon Korman

Anne of Green Gables Series by L.M. Montgomery

Call of the Wild by Jack London

EIGHTH GRADE

Required Reading: *Sophia's War: A Tale of the Revolution*, Avi

Extra Credit: Extra credit will be determined by the passing of an AR test at the beginning of the school year. Complete [this form](#) for each extra credit book that you read.

The Boy in the Striped Pajamas by John Boyne

I Am Malala: The Girl Who Stood Up For Education and Changed the World by Malala Yousafzai with Christina Lamb (Young Readers and the original novel are acceptable)

In My Father's House, Ann Rinaldi

Across Five Aprils, Irene Hunt

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer, Mark Twain

A Tale of Two Cities by Charles Dickens

HIGH SCHOOL

NINTH GRADE

Required Reading: *Murder on the Orient Express*, Agatha Christie

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for PreAP: *Murder on the Orient Express*, Agatha Christie **and** *Out of the Silent Planet*, CS Lewis

Extra Credit: Complete [this form](#) for each extra credit book that you read.

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| Bible | <i>Perelandra</i> , C.S. Lewis <i>That Hideous Strength</i> , C.S. Lewis <i>Live Your Truth and Other Lies: Exposing Popular Deceptions That Make Us Anxious, Exhausted, and Self-Obsessed</i> by Alisa Childers |
| Drama | <i>Acting: the First Six Lessons</i> , Richard Boleslavski <i>Respect for Acting</i> , Uta Hagen <i>An Actor Prepares</i> , Konstantin Stanislavski <i>A Cast of One</i> , John Gentile |
| English | <i>Mama's Bank Account</i> , Katherine Forbes <i>The Robe</i> , Lloyd C. Douglas <i>Last Light</i> , Terri Blackstock <i>Voice in the Wind</i> , Francine Rivers <i>All Creatures Great and Small</i> , James Herriot <i>Lord of the Rings</i> trilogy, J.R.R. Tolkien <i>Signs of Life</i> by Creston Mapes |
| Football | <i>Twelve Mighty Orphans: The Inspiring True Story of the Mighty Mites Who Ruled Texas Football</i> , Jim Dent |
| Basketball | <i>The Miracle of St. Anthony: A Season with Coach Bob Hurley and Basketball's Most Improbable Dynasty</i> , Adrian Wojnarowski |

TENTH GRADE

Required Reading: *Fahrenheit 451*, Ray Bradbury

Required Reading

for PreAP: *Fahrenheit 451* **and** *The Count of Monte Cristo*, abridged Alexandre Dumas
ISBN: 0553213504 (This is the version that will be tested. The unabridged version is approximately two times the length of this one.)

Extra Credit: Complete [this form](#) for each extra credit book that you read.

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| Bible | <i>How to Read the Bible for All It's Worth</i> , Fee and Stewart <i>The Cost of Discipleship</i> , Dietrich Bonhoeffer |
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| Drama | <i>Acting: the First Six Lessons</i> , Richard Boleslavski <i>Respect for Acting</i> , Uta Hagen <i>An Actor Prepares</i> , Konstantin Stanislavski <i>A Cast of One</i> , John Gentile |
| English | <i>Lost Horizon</i> , James Hilton <i>The Friendly Persuasion</i> , Jessamyn West <i>And Then There Were None</i> , Agatha Christie <i>Cheaper by the Dozen</i> , Frank Gilbreth, Jr. <i>The Last of the Mohicans</i> , James Fenimore Cooper |
| World History | <i>Meditations</i> , Marcus Aurelius <i>Augustine's Confessions</i> , Books (chapters) 1-10 <i>The Prince</i> , Niccolo Machiavelli <i>The Wealth of Nations</i> , Adam Smith <i>The Interesting Narrative of the Life of Olaudah Equiano</i> , Olaudah Equiano |
| Journalism | <i>Telling the Truth</i> , Marvin Olasky |
| Football | <i>Twelve Mighty Orphans: The Inspiring True Story of the Mighty Mites Who Ruled Texas Football</i> , Jim Dent |
| Basketball | <i>The Miracle of St. Anthony: A Season with Coach Bob Hurley and Basketball's Most Improbable Dynasty</i> , Adrian Wojnarowski |

ELEVENTH GRADE

Required Reading: *12 Years a Slave*, Solomon Northup

(AP English

Language) *12 Years a Slave*, Solomon Northup **AND** *David and Goliath*, Malcolm Gladwell

Extra Credit: Complete [this form](#) for each extra credit book that you read.

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| Bible | <i>Kingdoms in Conflict</i> , Chuck Colson <i>To Walk and Not Faint</i> , Marva Dawn <i>The Old Testament Roots of Our Faith</i> , Paul and Elizabeth Achtemeier |
| Drama | <i>Acting: the First Six Lessons</i> , Boleslavski <i>Respect for Acting</i> , Uta Hagen |

An Actor Prepares, Richard Stanislavski
A Cast of One, John Gentile

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| English | <i>The Bridge of San Luis Rey</i> , Thornton Wilder <i>The Call of the Wild</i> , Jack London <i>The Distance Between Us: A Memoir</i> , Reyna Grande <i>Dune</i> , Frank Herbert <i>Hidden Figures</i> , Margot Lee Shetterly <i>Pudd'nhead Wilson</i> , Mark Twain <i>The Thread That Runs So True</i> , Jesse Stuart <i>A Tree Grows in Brooklyn</i> , Betty Smith |
| U.S. History | <i>Silent Night</i> , Stanley Weintraub <i>March</i> , Book 1, 2, & 3, by John Lewis <i>The Greatest Generation</i> , Tom Brokaw (10 Chapters, students choice) <i>With the Old Breed</i> , Eugene Sledge <i>Rocket Boys</i> , Homer Hickam <i>Common Sense</i> , Thomas Paine <i>Destiny of the Republic</i> , Candice Millard <i>The Jungle</i> , Upton Sinclair <i>Economics in One Lesson</i> , Henry Hazlitt |
| Journalism | <i>Telling the Truth</i> , Marvin Olasky |
| Football | <i>Twelve Mighty Orphans: The Inspiring True Story of the Mighty Mites Who Ruled Texas Football</i> , Jim Dent |
| Basketball | <i>The Miracle of St. Anthony: A Season with Coach Bob Hurley and Basketball's Most Improbable Dynasty</i> , Adrian Wojnarowski |

TWELFTH GRADE

Required Reading:

English IV Required Reading:

Les Misérables by Victor Hugo: ISBN 0449300021

(Honors English)

English IV-AP Required Reading:

Les Misérables by Victor Hugo:

ISBN 0449300021

Reading Like a Writer by Francine Prose

(AP Government)

AP Government and Politics Required Reading:

The U.S. Constitution (available [here](#) and [here](#))

Extra Credit: Complete [this form](#) for each extra credit book that you read.

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| Bible | <i>Simply Jesus</i> , N.T. Wright <i>Who Needs Theology? An Invitation to the Study of God</i> , Stanley J. Grenz and Roger E. Olson |
| Calculus | <i>Calculus Wars: Newton, Leibniz, and the Greatest Clash of All Time</i> , Jason Socrates Bardi |
| Capstone | <i>Strange New World: How Thinkers & Activists Redefined Identity & Sparked the Sexual Revolution</i> , Carl Trueman <i>Saving Leonardo: A Call to Resist the Secular Assault on Mind, Morals, and Meaning</i> , Nancy Pearcey |
| Drama | <i>Acting: the First Six Lessons</i> , Richard Boleslavski <i>Respect for Acting</i> , Uta Hagen <i>An Actor Prepares</i> , Constantin Stanislavski <i>A Cast of One</i> , John Gentile |
| English | <i>Abolition of Man</i> by C.S. Lewis <i>Christy</i> , Catherine Marshall <i>Dawn's Light</i> , Terri Blackstock <i>The Picture of Dorian Gray</i> by Oscar Wilde <i>Ivanhoe</i> , Walter Scott <i>Lord Jim</i> , Joseph Conrad <i>Lorna Doone</i> , R.D. Blackmore <i>Rebecca</i> , Daphne Du Maurier <i>Return of the Native</i> , Thomas Hardy <i>Tess of the D'Urbervilles</i> , Thomas Hardy <i>Wuthering Heights</i> , Emily Bronte |
| Govt./Econ | <i>The Tragedy of American Compassion</i> , Marvin Olasky <i>Faith in the Halls of Power</i> by Michael Lindsay <i>The Three Languages of Politics</i> by Arnold Kling <i>Human Action</i> , Ludwig von Mises |
| Journalism | <i>Telling the Truth</i> , Marvin Olasky |
| Football | <i>Twelve Mighty Orphans: The Inspiring True Story of the Mighty Mites Who Ruled Texas Football</i> , Jim Dent |
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