



2019-2020 SCCPSS Secondary 6-12 Summer Reading Program

Why summer reading?

While reading during summer vacation may not be a priority for most high school students, it is critical to a student's ability to not only retain information learned the previous year but also to grow in knowledge and literacy skills to prepare for the year ahead. Many experts liken reading to exercise. Just like exercising keeps your heart and muscles in shape, so too does reading keep your brain in shape. If you don't exercise - you lose muscle.

If you don't read - you lose literacy skills.

A study done at the University of Tennessee found that children and teens who did not read over the summer lose the equivalent of two months of literacy development, while students who read gained a month. Because of this, when school begins in the fall there is likely to be a three-month difference in literacy readiness between those who read over the summer and those who didn't - an unfortunate fact known as the "summer slide."

Reading over the summer is not a suggestion to keep kids busy; It is a critical requirement to help students stay on track for their entire educational career and beyond.

Program Overview:

Students are expected to read or listen to between 2-5 books over the summer. While SCCPSS provides a list of recommended texts and their associated Lexile levels, it is most important that students select books that interest them.

Students should aim to select books close to their instructional level.



Students may submit an electronic or hard copy summary and personal reflection for each book read by August 31, 2020. (See pages and for reflection page or links to submissions.)

In each electronic submission, students will use a Google form to submit a two-paragraph summary of their book and a two-paragraph reflection of their thoughts, feelings, connections made, and/or analysis of author's craft and purpose. Each school's English department will review all student entries.



Secondary 6-12 Summary Reading Log

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Name:		School:			Grade Entering:	
Title:				Author:		
Rate This Book: Circle the number below.						
Definitely DO NOT Recommend	1	2	3	4	5	Highly Recommend
Write a 2-Paragraph Summary of the book you read						
Write a personal reflection of the book you read.						



Middle School Summer Reading Requirements

Grades 6-8 Due by: August 31, 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Read/listen to at least 2 books ● Submit a reflection & summary for each book via designated school/grade link (Find your school link below) ● You're done!

<u>Middle School</u>	<u>Links for Submissions</u>	<u>K-8 School</u>	<u>Links for Submissions</u>
Coastal Middle School	https://forms.gle/6x4v19E23NUKYuzdA	Garrison K-8 School	https://forms.gle/UncbMLEzRQCdpgrN6
Derenne Middle School	https://forms.gle/y2h4P3qhBpoJoVGx9	Georgetown K-8 School	https://forms.gle/exXuPkg1c4F1cCFV6
Hubert Middle School	https://forms.gle/zMUM82Fo3gDXZVy26	Godley Station K-8 School	https://forms.gle/rqUwYLRfh1tuGm2F6
Mercer Middle School	https://forms.gle/ZmLFUmQ6jCpfVdkx6	Hesse K-8 School	https://forms.gle/6pLG8xj4fHmA31G46
Myers Middle School	https://forms.gle/1QC8GgfWn96q6M7W9	Isle of Hope K-8 School	https://forms.gle/3MZRhSWeGUKCdSmi6



Southwest Middle School	https://forms.gle/D7WesjFVxubwj2AK6	Rice Creek K-8 School	https://forms.gle/bK2b3QvCEahe2wRJ6
STEM Academy at Bartlett	https://forms.gle/5zyHsHH5sjgLF1Yu7		
West Chatham Middle School	https://forms.gle/6X9C4ERXQhtuxhuL8		

Recommended Lexile Levels:

Lexile	Text Measures	To find books on your child’s Lexile level, visit http://Lexile.com/fab/GA And enter the Lexile score or grade level. Q. Where do I find my child’s Lexile Level? A. Check their most recent GMAS ELA score report.
6	925L to 1070L	
7	970L to 1120L	
8	1010L to 1185L	

Suggested Texts for Middle School:

Title	Author	Summary	Lexile
Miracle's Boys	Jacqueline Woodson	Growing up after the loss of a parent	660L



The Boy Who Dared	Susan Campbell Bartoletti	A youth in Nazi Germany who tells the truth about Hitler Bartoletti	760L
Rules	Cynthia Lord	Finding acceptance-beyond the rules.	780L
The Lawn Boy	Gary Paulsen	One day I was 12 years old and broke.	780L
Esperanza Rising	Pam Munoz Ryan	When their new life is threatened, Esperanza must find a way to rise above her difficult circumstances--Mama's life, and her own, depend on it	800L
Soul Surfer: A True Story of Faith, Family, and Fighting to Get Back on the Board	Bethany Hamilton	It is a story of girl power and spiritual grit that shows the body is no more essential to surfing perhaps even less so than the soul.	960L
2001: A Space Odyssey	Arthur C. Clarke	2001: A Space Odyssey tackles the enduring theme of man's place in the universe.	1060L
The Kingdom on the Waves	M.T. Anderson	Fearing a death sentence, Octavian and his tutor, Dr. Trefusis, escape through rising tides and pouring rain to find shelter in British-occupied Boston.	1060L
<i>The Crossover</i>	Kwame Alexander	Josh and Jordan must come to grips with growing up on and off the court to realize breaking the rules comes at a terrible price, as their story's heart-stopping climax proves a game-changer for the entire family.	660L
<i>One Crazy Summer</i>	Rita Williams Garcia	Set during one of the most tumultuous years in recent American history, one crazy summer is the heartbreaking, funny tale of three girls in search of the mother who abandoned them.	750L



<i>Among the Hidden</i>	Margaret Peterson Haddix	Among the Hidden is a thought-provoking story set in of the not too distant future that explores the choices and challenges faced by an early adolescent boy as he struggles to find his place in a world in which his existence is illegal.	800L
<i>Won't Know till I Get There</i>	Walter Dean Myers	When Steve's parents decide to adopt a foster child, it seems like a good idea. And when Steve decides to show the new kid how tough he is by spray-painting the side of a subway car, that seems like a good idea too. But the foster child turns out to be a thirteen-year-old with a criminal record, and the guys in the designer jeans watching Steve spray-paint graffiti turn out to be transit police. Suddenly Steve and the whole gang are serving time, working in an old-age home with a bunch of feisty and independent senior citizens who refuse to sit still and be stereotyped - by anybody	840L
<i>We Were There, Too!</i>	Phillip Hoose	From the boys who sailed with Columbus to today's young activists, this unique book brings to life the contributions of young people throughout American history.	950L
<i>The Wonder of Charlie Ann</i>	Kimberly Newton Fusco	Charlie Anne is devastated when her father must go north to build roads after the Depression hits. She and her siblings are left with their rigid cousin, Mirabel, and a farm full of chores.	970L
<i>Seeing Redd</i>	Frank Beddor	Alyss of Wonderland's rules has only just begun and already those who prefer chaos to peace are threatening to destroy everything worth imagining.	1080L
<i>The Boy in the Striped Pajamas</i>	John Boyne	Berlin 1942 When Bruno returns home from school one day, he discovers that his belongings are being packed in crates. His father has received a promotion and the family must move from their home to a new house far far away, where there is no one to play with and nothing to do.	1080L



<p><i>Golden Boy</i></p>	<p>Tara Sullivan</p>	<p>Thirteen-year-old Habo has always been different - light eyes, yellow hair and white skin. Not the good brown skin his family has and not the white skin of tourists. Habo is strange and alone. Habo has a new word for himself: Albino. But they hunt Albinos in Mwanza because Albino body parts are thought to bring good luck. And soon Habo is being hunted by a fearsome man with a machete. To survive, Habo must not only run, but find a way to love and accept himself.</p>	<p>820L</p>
<p><i>This Journal Belongs to Ratchet</i></p>	<p>Nancy J. Cavanaugh</p>	<p>It's the first day of school for all the kids in the neighborhood. But not for Ratchet; she's homeschooled. That means nothing new. No new book bag, no new clothes, and no friends, old or new. The best she's got is her notebook. She's supposed to use it for her writing assignments, but her dad never checks. Here's what she's really going to use it for: a top-secret plan to turn her old, recycled, freakish, friendless, motherless life into something shiny and new.</p>	<p>830L</p>
<p><i>Revolution</i></p>	<p>Deborah Wiles</p>	<p>Readers are given two viewpoints from very different worlds during the tumultuous Freedom Summer of 1964 in Greenwood, Mississippi. Sunny, a 12 year old white girl, is worried about reports of "invaders" descending upon the sleepy Southern town and causing trouble. Meanwhile, Raymond, a black youth, is becoming increasingly aware of all the places, especially the public pool and Leflore's theater, he is barred from due to Jim Crow laws. As their worldviews expand and they begin to learn more about the sinister side of a seemingly perfect town, Sunny's and Raymond's stories intersect.</p>	<p>840L</p>
<p><i>Discovering Wes Moore</i></p>	<p>Wes Moore</p>	<p>Two kids named Wes Moore were born blocks apart and within a year of each other. Both grew up fatherless in similar Baltimore neighborhoods and had difficult childhoods. Both ran into trouble with the police. How did one grow</p>	<p>840L</p>



		up to be a Rhodes scholar and business leader, while the other ended up a convicted murderer serving a life sentence? When Wes Moore wrote to his namesake in prison, they began a remarkable friendship. This story looks at the challenges of growing up and the power of the choices that people make in their lives.	
<i>With Their Eyes: September 11th-The View from a High School at Ground Zero</i>	Edited by Annie Thomas Taresh Batra	I could have died that day. September 11, 2001 Monologues from Stuyvesant High School Tuesday, September 11, started off like any other day at Stuyvesant High School, located only a few blocks away from the World Trade Center. Now, on the tenth anniversary of September 11th, we remember those who were lost and those who were forced to witness this tragedy. Here, in their own words, are the firsthand stories of a day we will never forget.	1000L
<i>Elijah of Buxton</i>	Chris Paul Curtis	Eleven-year-old Elijah is the first child born into freedom in Buxton, Canada,. Elijah embarks on a dangerous journey to America in pursuit of the thief and discovers firsthand the unimaginable horrors of the life his parents fled--a life from which he'll always be free, if he can find the courage to get back home.	1070L
<i>The Beekeeper's Apprentice</i>	Laurie R. King	What would happen if Sherlock Holmes, a perfect man of the Victorian age--pompous, smug, and misogynistic--were to come face to face with a twentieth-century female?	1100
<i>The Winter Room</i>	Gary Paulsen	The winter room is where Eldon, his brother Wayne, old Uncle David, and the rest of the family gather on icy cold nights, sitting in front of the stove. There the boys listen eagerly to all of Uncle David's tales of superheroes. Then one night Uncle David tells the story, "The Woodcutter," and what happens next is terrible--then wonderful.	1170L



High School Summer Reading Requirements

Grades 9-12 Due by: August 31, 2020			
9th	10th	11th	12th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Read/listen to at least 2 books 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Read/listen to at least 2-3 books 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Read/listen to at least 3-4 books 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Read/listen to at least 3-5 books
<p>Submit a reflection & summary for each book via designated school/ grade link</p>			

Advanced and Accelerated course requirements:

9th ADV.	10th ADV.	11th ADV.	12th ADV. / AP
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Read/listen to at least 3 books 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Read/listen to at least 4 books 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Read/listen to at least 5 books 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Read/listen to at least 6 books
<p>Submit a reflection & summary for each book via designated school/ grade link</p>			

Links for entering summaries and reflections:

<p>Beach High School: https://forms.gle/ZGhRzv2DFbYpnXX4A</p>	<p>Groves High School: https://forms.gle/YLtdwSCpDHthppHz8</p>
<p>Islands High School: https://forms.gle/C6cA5QqyZWRyCAz46</p>	<p>Jenkins High School: https://forms.gle/35BcJuzXntGKx1YH6</p>



Johnson High School: https://forms.gle/wz4re4YWgqVmnZhz8	New Hampstead High School: https://forms.gle/g3WKTJNDoHRkumGr8
Savannah Arts Academy: https://forms.gle/54EiNRWuTGt8K1Lx5	Savannah Early College: https://forms.gle/kQdACWKYZq4csMUKA
School of Liberal Studies @ SHS: https://forms.gle/SUSiW8n3sPitEEDa6 Additional Requirements for incoming 9th grade students. Click here: https://docs.google.com/document/d/19SZTv_6DZXdXJEgusExN7ipNoysX4k1eP_Ym3rC35ow/edit?usp=sharing	Windsor Forest High School: https://forms.gle/tWZfc5gP42mNGNlr5
Woodville Tompkins High School: https://forms.gle/nqTp1ccNmMa8CeAX7	

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Grade	Lexile Level	
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10th	1080L - 1335L	
11th / 12th	1185L - 1385L	

Suggested Texts for High School Students :

Title:	Author:	Topic/Themes:	Lexile:
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<i>Confessions of a Thug</i>	Phillip Taylor	Crime and retribution	1120
<i>The Hate You Give</i>	Angie Thomas	Racial/class issues	590
<i>American Born Chinese</i>	Gene Luen Yang	Immigrant struggle	530
<i>The Glory Field</i>	Walter Dean Myers	Slavery	800
<i>No One is Coming to Save Us</i>	Stephanie Watts	Great Gatsby retelling	1100
<i>Home After Dark</i>	David Small	Abandonment	990
<i>Shadow of the Fox (graphic novel)</i>	Julie Kagawa	Japanese folklore	890
<i>Glimmer of Hope</i>	Movement founders	March for Our Lives movement	990
<i>Boneless Mercies</i>	April Tucholke	Genderbent Beowulf	770
<i>Odd One Out</i>	Nic Stone	Sexuality and friendship	780
<i>Broken Things</i>	Lauren Oliver	Fandom mystery	760
<i>Sawkill Girls</i>	Claire Legrand	Fantasy thriller	990
<i>Dear Evan Hansen</i>	Val Emmich	Suicide, anxiety, loneliness	590
<i>Hey, Kiddo</i>	Jarrett Krosoczka	Children of addicts	510
<i>Someday</i>	David Levithan	Morality, equality	720
<i>Buried Beneath the Baobab Tree</i>	Adaobi Nwaubani	Boko Haram kidnappings	1000
<i>We'll Fly Away</i>	Bryan Bliss	Teen on death row	670



<i>The Unwanted (graphic novel)</i>	Don Brown	Syrian refugee crisis	800
<i>Pride</i>	Ebi Zoboi	Pride & Prejudice retelling	760
<i>And the Ocean was our Sky</i>	Patrick Ness	Moby Dick fantasy retelling	760
<i>I Felt a Funeral, In My Brain</i>	Will Walton	Loss, love, addiction (<i>poetry</i>)	1100
<i>How I Resist</i>	Maureen Johnson	Activism & hope for teens	1170
<i>Invisible Ghosts</i>	Robert Schneider	Teen romance	860
<i>My Plain Jane</i>	Cynthia Hand	Jane Eyre retelling	650
<i>Dear Rachel Maddow</i>	Adrienne Kisner	Diary-themed confessions	590
<i>Monday's Not Coming</i>	Tiffany D. Jackson	Crime thriller	990
<i>Girl Made of Stars</i>	Ashley Blake	Rape accusations	740
<i>Picture Us in the Light</i>	Kelley Gilbert	Family, loss, and secrets	890
<i>Calling My Name</i>	Liana Tamani	Female coming-of-age	1000
<i>We Are All That's Left</i>	Carrie Arcos	Faith, War, Violence	610
<i>Brazen</i>	Penelope Bagieu	Feminist biographies	770
<i>Between the Lines</i>	Nikki Grimes	Male coming-of-age	630
<i>Mun Mun</i>	Jesse Andrews	Satire	1100
<i>Losers Bracket</i>	Chris Crutcher	Foster care and sports	790



<i>Devils Within</i>	S. F. Henson	Rejecting white supremacy	640
<i>Hooper</i>	Geoff Herbach	Basketball & Fitting in	610
<i>Mapping the Bones</i>	Jane Yolen	Holocaust	790
<i>Unearthed</i>	Meagan Spooner	Sci-fi alien thriller	960
<i>I am Malala</i>	Malala Yousafzai	Biography	1000
<i>Hidden Figures</i>	Margot Shetterly	Historical fiction	1120
<i>Fallen Grace</i>	Mary Hooper	Family and loss; orphans	1160
<i>Fantastic Beasts</i>	J. K. Rowling	Fantasy	1230
<i>The Glass Castle</i>	Jeannette Walls	Family struggles	1010
<i>Lebron James</i>	Hal Marcovitz	Sports biography	1110
<i>A Brief History of Time</i>	Stephen Hawking	Science and Space	1290
<i>Tales of Beedle the Bard</i>	J. K. Rowling	Fantasy	1230
<i>Spindle's End</i>	Robin McKinley	Sleeping Beauty retelling	1220
<i>The Old Man in the Corner</i>	Emmuska Orczy	Unsolved murders	1170
<i>Hungry Lightning</i>	Pei-Lun Yu	Anthropology	1220
<i>Friday Night Lights</i>	H. G. Bissinger	Sports fiction	1220
<i>A Short History of Nearly Everything</i>	Bill Bryson	Mysteries of the Universe	1190



<i>12 Years a Slave</i>	Solomon Northup	Historical fiction	1200
<i>Little Boys Came from the Stars</i>	Emmanuel Dongala	Satire	1200
<i>Into Thin Air</i>	Jon Krakauer	Climbing biography	1320
<i>The Tell Tale Heart</i>	Edgar Allen Poe	Horror, short stories	1350
<i>Banned in the U.S.A.</i>	Herbert Foerstel	Censorship	1360
<i>Hidden Evidence</i>	David Owen	True crime stories	1390
<i>Death by Black Hole</i>	Neil DeGrasse Tyson	Universe and space	1400



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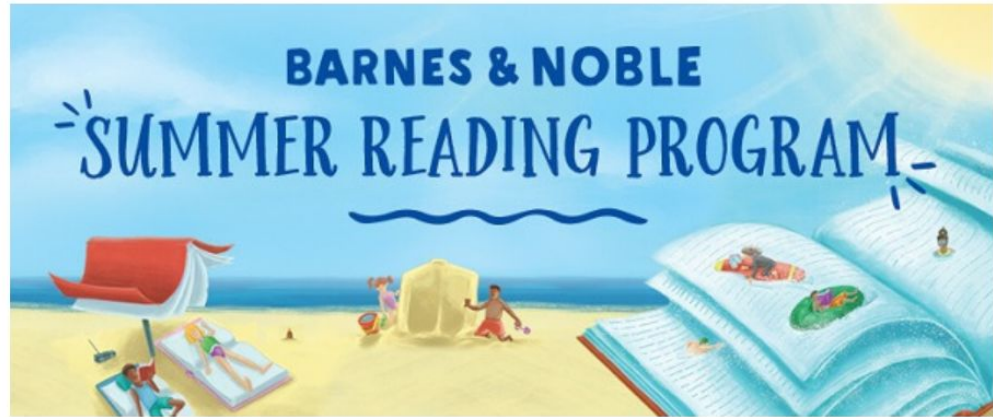
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