



2019 Summer Reading

LOCAL SUMMER READING PROGRAMS

Fairfax County Public Libraries

- Program begins June 23. After that date, pick up a reading log at your local branch, or go online.
- Turn in reading logs before the end of the summer to receive a coupon book for free and discounted prizes.

Loudoun County Public Libraries

- Program runs June 10 through August 20. Weekly programs at all branches.
- Register at any branch and complete a challenge card for a chance to win prizes!
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ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL REQUIRED READING

Rising 1-3: Suggested reading only. No requirements. See list at end of this document.

Rising 4th Graders: Over the summer, please read *The Lemonade War* by Jacqueline Davies (or another book in the Lemonade War series if you have already read this title), complete the assigned graphic organizer, and be prepared to complete activities related to your book the first week of school.

Rising 5th Graders: Over the summer, please read *Countdown* by Deborah Wiles, complete the assigned graphic organizer, and be prepared to complete activities related to this title the first week of school.

Rising 6th Graders: Over the summer, please read ONE of the following books and complete the project: *When You Reach Me* by Rebecca Stead OR *The View From Saturday* by E. L. Konigsburg OR *Masterminds* by Gordon Korman OR *The Fourteenth Goldfish* by Jennifer L. Holm.

Rising 7th Graders: Choose ONE of the following:

Adventure/Survival

Hatchet ***

Island of the Blue Dolphins

Fantasy

Dealing with Dragons

Eragon or other stories by Paolini

Sisters Grimm, Fairy Tale Detectives

A Wrinkle in Time

Harry Potter Series

Chronicles of Narnia Series

Classic

Treasure Island ***

Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea ***

Around the World in Eighty Days ***

Little Women ***

Realistic

Epic Fail of Arturo Zamora

The Wednesday Wars

Humor/Satire

A Series of Unfortunate Events

Rising 8th Graders: Pick one non-fiction, and one fiction:

Fiction:

Under a War Torn Sky by L.M. Elliott

Dark Water by Marian Hale

The President Has Been Shot by James L. Swanson

Last Day on Mars by Kevin Emerson

Non Fiction:

I will Always Write Back by Martin Ganda, Caitlin Alifirenka,

The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens by Sean Covey

RECOMMENDED SUMMER READING FOR RISING 5th and 6th GRADERS In Addition to the required reading*

Save Me A Seat by Varadarajan & Weeks

Some Writer! by Sweet

The Wild Robot by Brown

The London Eye Mystery by Dowd

The Blackthorn Key by Sands

Ghost by Reynolds

The Girl Who Drank the Moon by Barnhill

Ghosts by Telgemeier

A Night Divided by Nielsen

Sweet Home Alaska by Dagg

The Doldrums by Gannon

The Trumpet of the Swan by White

My Side of the Mountain by George

The Staircase by Rinaldi

Hidden Figures (Young Readers' Edition) by

Shetterly

RECOMMENDED SUMMER READING FOR RISING 3rd and 4th GRADERS*

The Bailey School Kids series – various authors
A Boy Called Bat – Arnold
A Cricket in Times Square – Selden
The Capital Mysteries series – Roy
The Humphrey series - Birney
Imagination Station series – Hering

Matilda and other titles - Dahl
The Time Warp Trio series - Scieszka
Who Would Win series – Pallotta
Who Was?/What Was? series – Penguin Books
The Fudge series - Blume
Beverly Cleary books

RECOMMENDED SUMMER READING FOR RISING 1st and 2nd GRADERS*

Amelia Bedelia series - Parish
The Black Lagoon series - Thaler
Flat Stanley series – Brown
Fly Guy series – Arnold
Geronimo Stilton series - Stilton
Keena Ford series - Thomson
Kylie Jean series - Peschke

The Magic Tree House series - Osborne
My Weird School series - Gutman
Who Would Win series – Pallotta
Arnold Lobel books
Cynthia Rylant books
Dr. Seuss books
Syd Hoff books

***PLEASE NOTE** that all titles listed may not suit all students in the recommended age group. Spend some time talking with your child about his or her preferences and abilities. It is important to find books that your child likes and that he or she can read easily so that summer reading will be enjoyable and fun! For the youngest students, make time to read aloud to them from a variety of books or access the SJS Family Read Aloud suggestion located on the Library webpage. The book for this summer is *The Secret Garden*.

The public library can also provide reading lists for ALL ages, including adults. Have a great summer of reading!

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