



# 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup> 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 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> 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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