

Shelby County Schools Summer Reading List 2017

For Teachers Who Want a Jumpstart on Next Year



New Year! New Titles!

Shelby County Schools has been intentional about working to provide teachers with curriculum materials that will have the greatest positive impact on student achievement. Starting next year, some grade levels will begin in August with titles that are new to the ELA curriculum.

By the end of June, schools should have all titles, including teacher copies that can be signed out to help with summer planning. In the meantime, teachers may access these texts online using the links provided in this list. Texts without links can be located in the district-adopted textbook.

In order to prepare for the first month of school, teachers are encouraged to begin reading the following titles over the summer break.

- ▶ ELA K-5, Journeys TWAGS*
 - ▶ K: *What Makes a Family*
 - ▶ 1: *The Dot*
 - ▶ 2: *The Mysterious Tadpole*
 - ▶ 3: *Bat Loves Night*
 - ▶ 4: *Hurricanes*
 - ▶ 5: *Everglades Forever*
- ▶ ELA 6-8, EL Education Curriculum Modules
 - ▶ 6: [The Lightning Thief](#) by Rick Riordan
 - ▶ 7: [A Long Walk to Water](#) by Linda Sue Park
 - ▶ 8: [Inside Out & Back Again](#) by Thanhha Lai
- ▶ ELA 9-12, Facing History or LA Believes Units
 - ▶ 9: [To Kill a Mockingbird](#) by Harper Lee
 - ▶ 10: [What Is Rhetoric?](#) and [Ch. 14 of The Jungle](#) by Upton Sinclair
 - ▶ 11: [The Scarlet Letter](#) by Nathaniel Hawthorne
 - ▶ 12: [The Hero with a Thousand Faces](#) by Joseph Campbell

*Located in the Journeys textbook.