

5th Grade Reading Suggestions
Skokie School
2018- 2019

| | Author | Title/Summary | Genre |
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| FIC APP | Applegate, Katherine | <u>Wishtree</u> Red is the neighborhood wishtree. Each year, people from the community tie wishes to its branches. Many changes have happened over time. However, when a new family moves into the community and faces prejudice, Red and a crow must do what they can to help restore harmony. | Fantasy |
| FIC ASS | Asselin, Kristine and Jen Malone | <u>The Art of the Swap</u> 12-year-olds Maggie and Hannah live 100 years apart in a Rhode Island mansion. When the two magically switch places they each must struggle to fit into their new times and solve a 1905 art theft. | Fantasy |
| FIC ATK | Atkins, Jeannine | <u>Finding Wonders: Three Girls Who Changed Science</u> This book gives a fictional account of the lives of three courageous girls who faced prejudice and superstition in order to challenge beliefs and change the world of science. | Historical Fiction, Books in Verse |
| FIC CUR | Currie, Lindsay | <u>The Peculiar Incident on Shady Street</u> After moving from Florida to Chicago, Tessa is dismayed to discover her new house is haunted! What can she do to put the ghost to rest? | Mystery |
| FIC GLA | Glaser, Karina Yan | <u>The Vanderbeekers of 141ST Street</u> The five Vanderbeeker children band together to convince their landlord to let them remain in their home. | Realistic Fiction |
| FIC GOO | Goodman, Carol | <u>The Metropolitans</u> Can four children stop the forces of evil on the eve of World War II? | Historic Fiction, Fantasy |

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| FIC GRA | Graff, Lisa | <p><u>The Great Treehouse War</u></p> <p>Winnie's parents divorce, and it has catastrophic effects on her life. In fact, she may fail 5th grade! Can she make her parents understand her problem? To do that, she barricades herself in her treehouse with friends from her class.</p> | Realistic Fiction |
| FIC HIC | Hicks, Deron | <p><u>The Van Gogh Deception</u></p> <p>A boy is found in The National Gallery of Art suffering from amnesia. In the attempt to recover his memories, the boy and his new foster family will be put in grave danger.</p> | Mystery |
| FIC KLI | Kline, Christina Baker | <p><u>Orphan Train Girl</u></p> <p>12-year-old foster child, Molly, has had trouble finding a home. When she is assigned to do community service for a 91-year-old woman, she finds the one person who seems to understand and bond with her.</p> | Historic Fiction |
| FIC LAF | LaFleur, Suzanne | <p><u>Beautiful Blue World</u></p> <p>The nation is at war, and bombs are being dropped daily. Then the country makes a surprising request. They ask that children ages 12 – 14 volunteer for a test of their ability to serve their country. Children will be selected to work in the war effort. 12-year-old Mathilde answers the call, and faces surprising challenges.</p> | Survival |
| FIC MEL | Meloy, Colin | <p><u>The Whiz Mob and the Grenadine Kid</u></p> <p>Charlie Fisher is a 12-year-old son of an actress and a diplomat. As a result, he has lived around the world, never knowing where he belongs. A chance meeting in Marseille, France changes his life. Charlie meets a member of the Whiz Mob, a group of young pickpockets. Will he pursue a life of crime?</p> | Historic Fiction |

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| FIC STA | Stanley, Diane | <u>Joplin, Wishing</u> After being bullied in school and losing her only friend, 11-year-old Joplin Danforth makes a wish that changes her life. | Magical Realism |
| 577 .5 BUR | Burns, Loree Griffin | <u>Life on Surtsey</u> On November 14, 1963, a volcano erupted off the coast of Iceland and created a new island. This book describes how scientists observed how life came to this sterile island. | Non- Fiction |
| 595 .7 ALB | Albee, Sarah | <u>Bugged: How Insects Changed History</u> Discover how insects have affected world events! | Non- Fiction |
| 629 .4 JEN | Jenkins, Martin | <u>Exploring Space</u> This book tells how we began exploring our solar system. Incredible illustrations enhance this text. | Non- Fiction |
| 500 MUN | Munroe, Randall | <u>Thing Explainer: Complicated Stuff in Simple Words</u> Using detailed illustrations and simple vocabulary, this book explains how things (including technology and our universe) work. | Non- Fiction |
| 513 OVE | Overdeck, Laura | <u>How Many Guinea Pigs can fit on a Plane? : Answers to Your Most Clever Math Questions</u> This fascinating book answers some unique questions using mathematics. Read it, and you'll learn how many bees are needed to create 1 jar of honey. | Non- Fiction |
| 598 .47 MAR | Markle, Sandra | <u>The Great Penguin Rescue: Saving the African Penguins</u> Learn how scientists and volunteers team up to save penguin colonies in South Africa. | Non- Fiction |

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| 629 .22 FAR | Farndon, John | <u>Stickmen's Guide to Trains and Automobiles</u> Learn how cars and trains work, and discover everything you need to know about special feature innovations. | Non- Fiction |
| 629 .45 WIL | Williams, Dr. Dave and Loredana Cunti | <u>Go For Liftoff!</u> <u>How to Train Like an Astronaut</u> Would you like to explore outer space? This humorous book tells how to become an astronaut. | Non- Fiction |
| 636 .7 PAT | Patent, Dorothy Hinshaw | <u>Made for Each Other</u> <u>Why Dogs and People are Perfect Partners</u> Using the latest research, this book states that man's relationship with dogs started 100,000 years ago! Find out more facts about man's best friend in this book. | Non- Fiction |
| 741 .5 HAL | Hale, Shannon and Leuyen Pham | <u>Real Friends</u> Can you have one friend exclusively for your entire life? Shannon wants to be Adrienne's best friend, but what happens when Adrienne wants to be part of Jen's group? | Graphic Novel |
| 741 .5 KON | Kondo, Robert | <u>The Dam Keeper</u> All that protects the Sunrise Valley from the dangerous fog is the ingenious dam. Pig's father created it, and now, after his father's death, Pig is left to run it. However, the fog threatens to destroy the dam; can Pig save his world? | Graphic Novel |
| 904 JAZ | Jazynka, Kitson | <u>History's Mysteries</u> Did Atlantis exist? Who carved the massive heads on Easter Island? What happened to Amelia Earhardt? These questions are examined in this fascinating book from National Geographic. | Non- Fiction |