



# Summer Reading List

Summer 2019 5-8

Upper School students should read a minimum of 6 books that they enjoy. Below is a list of suggested titles; however, students should choose books they want to read. Additionally, students should keep a list of these books and bring them to English class on the first day of school.

## Teacher Recommendations:

**American Born Chinese** by Gene Luen Yang  
**A Wrinkle in Time** by Madeleine L'Engle  
**Behind Rebel Lines** by Seymour Reit  
**Black and White** by Paul Volponi  
**Bridge to Terabithia** by Katherine Paterson  
**Bud, Not Buddy** by Christopher Paul Curtis  
**The Call of the Wild** by Jack London  
**Cracker! The Best Dog in Vietnam** by Cynthia Kadohata  
**Countdown** by Deborah Wiles  
**Dead End in Norvelt** by Jack Gantos  
**Divergent** by Veronica Roth  
**Eggs** by Jerry Spinelli  
**I, Q** by Roland Smith  
**Elsewhere: A Novel** by Gabrielle Zevin  
**Every Soul a Star** by Wendy Mass  
**Evil Genius** by Catherine Jinks  
**Firelight** by Sophie Jordan  
**Flygirl** by Sherri L. Smith  
**The Girl With All the Gifts** by M.R. Carey  
**The Good Fight: How WWII Was Won** by Stephen Ambrose  
**Graceling** by Kristin Cashore  
**Heaven Eyes** by David Almond  
**The Hunger Games** by Suzanne Collins  
**Hush** by Jacqueline Woodson  
**Incarceron** by Catherine Fisher  
**Indigo's Star** by Hilary McKay  
**The Invention of Hugo Cabret** by Brian Selznick  
**If I Stay** by Gayle Forman  
**It's Kind of a Funny Story** by Ned Vizzini  
**Langston Hughes** by Milton Meltzer  
**Life as We Knew It** by Susan Beth Pfeffer

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**Lord of the Rings** by J.R.R. Tolkien  
**A Mango-Shaped Space** by Wendy Mass  
**The Marvels** by Brian Selznick  
**Matched** by Ally Condie  
**My Side of the Mountain** by Jean Craighead George  
**Poems for Youth** by Emily Dickinson  
**Ring of Fire** by Pierdomenico Baccalario  
**The River Between Us** by Richard Peck  
**The Ruining** by Anna Collomore  
**The Running Dream** by Wendelin Van Draanen  
**Seraphina** by Rachel Hartman  
**Ship Breaker** by Paolo Bacigalupi  
**Slam** by Walter Dean Myers  
**Stargirl** by Jerry Spinelli  
**The Perfect Storm: A True Story of Men Against the Sea** by Sebastian Junger  
**A Troubled Peace** by Laura Elliott  
**Under a War-Torn Sky** by Laura Elliott  
**The Watsons Go To Birmingham** by Christopher Paul Curtis  
**We Were Liars** by E. Lockhart

## International Literacy Association Teachers' Choice Titles

**Amal Unbound** by Aisha Saeed  
**Code Word Courage** by Kirby Larson  
**Ebb and Flow** by Heather Smith  
**Everything Else in the Universe** by Tracy Holczer  
**Harbor Me** by Jacqueline Woodson  
**The Night Diary** by Veera Hiranandani  
**The Not So Boring Diary of Private Nobody** by Matthew Landis  
**Out of Left Field** by Ellen Klages  
**Rebound** by Kwame Alexander  
**Resistance** by Jennifer A. Nielsen

## ALSC Reading List

**All Summer Long** by Hope Larson  
**Ashes to Asheville** by Sarah Dooley  
**Charlie Hernández and the League of Shadows** by Ryan Calejo  
**Countdown: 2979 Days to the Moon** by Suzanne Slade  
**Dove Arising** by Karen Bao  
**Ghost Boys** by Jewell Parker Rhodes  
**Hidden Figures: Young Readers' Edition** by Margot Lee Shetterly  
**It All Comes Down to This** by Karen English  
**Love, Ish** by Karen Rivers  
**Marcus Vega Doesn't Speak Spanish** by Pablo Cartaya

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**Merci Suárez Changes Gears** by Meg Medina  
**Peasprout Chen, Future Legend of Skate and Sword** by Henry Lien  
**Piecing Me Together** by Renée Watson  
**The Playbook: 52 Rules to Aim, Shoot, and Score in This Game Called Life** by Kwame Alexander  
**Putting Peace First: 7 Commitments to Change the World** by Eric Dawson  
**Sci-Fu** by Yehudi Mercado  
**See You in the Cosmos** by Jack Cheng  
**Space Battle Lunchtime, Vol. 1: Lights, Camera, Snacktion** by Natalie Riess  
**The Stars Beneath Our Feet** by David Barclay Moore  
**Us, in Progress: Short Stories about Young Latinos** by Lulu Delacre  
**The Witch Boy** by Molly Knox Ostertag

## Virginia State Reading Association Titles

**Garvey's Choice** by Nikki Grime  
**Wolf Hollow** by Lauren Wolk  
**Ghost** by Jason Reynolds  
**When Friendship Followed Me Home** by Paul Griffin  
**In the Shadow of Liberty** by Kenneth C. Davis  
**Fuzzy** by Tom Angelberger and Paul Dellinger  
**Hideout** by Watt Key  
**The Other Boy** by M. G. Hennesey  
**The Big Dark** by Rodman Philbrick  
**Scar Island** by Dan Gemeinhart

