



## 2023 Summer Reading List

### Grades 5-8

Upper School students should read a minimum of 6 books that they enjoy. Below is a list of suggested titles and authors; 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.

### Powhatan teachers recommend books by the following authors

Kwame Alexander  
Sherman Alexie  
Laurie Halse Anderson  
Avi  
Judy Blume  
John Boyne  
Joseph Bruchac  
Eve Bunting  
Hugo Cabret  
Orson Scott Card  
Agatha Christie  
Eoin Colfer  
Suzanne Collins  
Allie Condie  
Jerry Craft  
Sharon Creech  
Christopher Paul Curtis  
Roald Dahl  
James Dashner  
Sarah Dessen  
Kate DiCamillo  
Laura Elliott  
John Flanagan  
Gayle Forman  
Natasha Friend

Neil Gaiman  
Jack Gantos  
Morris Gleitzman  
John Green  
Tommy Greenwald  
John Grisham  
Carl Hiaasen  
Pete Hautman  
Monica Hesse  
Will Hobbs  
Anthony Horowitz  
Peg Kehret  
Jeff Kinney  
Gordon Korman  
C.S. Lewis  
E. Lockhart  
Lois Lowry  
Mike Lupica  
Wendy Mass  
Stephanie Meyer  
Walter Dean Myers  
Phyllis Reynolds Naylor  
R.J. Palacio  
Christopher Paolini  
Wendelin Van Draanen

Katherine Paterson  
James Patterson  
Gary Paulsen  
Philip Pullman  
Matt de la Pena  
Rodman Philbrick  
Jason Reynolds  
Pam Munoz Ryan  
Jewel Parker Rhodes  
Rick Riordan  
Veronica Roth  
J.K. Rowling  
Louis Sachar  
Gary D. Schmidt  
Jon Scieszka  
Robert Sharenow  
Shel Silverstein  
Jerry Spinneli  
Trenton Lee Stewart  
Angie Thomas  
J.R.R. Tolkien  
Scott Westerfeld  
Deborah Wiles  
Gene Luen Yang  
Markus Zusak

### Recommended Summer Reading Lists

- [Science Summer Reading recommended by Mr. Legge](#)
- [2023-2024 Grades 4-5 Battle of the Books List](#)
- [Virginia Readers' 2023-2024 Book Titles](#)
- Association for Library Service to Children 2023 Summer Reading: [Grades 3-5](#) and [Grades 6-8](#)
- Each Story Matters, Every Child Counts Día Booklist: [Grades 3-5](#) and [Grades 6-8](#)
- [Notable Children's Books 2023](#)
- [The Children's Book Council Favorites Award Winners](#)

