

Junior High students have 2 required summer readings.

The first book listed (*) under the grade level is required reading for the grade entering in the Fall 2011. **Students will be tested during the first week of school, and that score will count for up to 25% of their first trimester grade.** It is strongly recommended students keep a journal for review before the test. Students should come prepared to take a test that could include several types of questions, including true/false, matching, multiple choice, short answer and essay questions on the book assigned for their grade level at the start of the new school year. The second required reading the student can pick from the list. The students will need to write a Response to Literature paper on the book they choose. **The RtL will be due the first Friday the students return from summer vacation.**

Incoming 6th Grade*** *Where the Red Fern Grows* by Wilson Rawls**

Anthony Burns: The Defeat and Triumph of a Fugitive Slave by Virginia Hamilton

The Dark Is Rising by Susan Cooper

Canyons by Gary Paulsen

Hope Was Here by Joan Bauer

Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech

Hatchet by Gary Paulsen

Wrinkle in Time by Madeline L'Engle

Eragon by Christopher Paolini

The Lightning Thief by Rick Riordan

The Complete Chronicles of Narnia by C. S. Lewis

Harry Potter series by J. K. Rowling

I Heard the Owl Call My Name by Margaret Craven

The Island by Gary Paulsen

The Midwife's Apprentice by Karen Cushman

The Phantom Tollbooth by Norton Juster

The River by Gary Paulsen

The Wish Giver, Three Tales of Coven Tree by Bill Brittain

Words of Stone by Kevin Henkes

Incoming 7th Grade*** *A Day No Pigs Would Die* by Robert Newton Peck**

Crispin the Cross of Lead by Avi

Ivanhoe by Sir Walter Scott

The Prince and the Pauper by Mark Twain

Freak the Mighty by Rodman Philbrick

Harris and Me: A Summer Remembered by Paulsen

Exploring the Titanic by Robert Ballard

Beauty: A Retelling of the Story of Beauty and the Beast by Robin McKinley

Beyond the Burning Time by Kathryn Lasky

Dogsong by Gary Paulsen

Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred Taylor
My Brother Sam is Dead by James Lincoln Collier and Christopher Collier
The Hobbit by J. R. R. Tolkien
Wringer by Jerry Spinelli
The Maze by Will Hobbs
The Man Who Was Poe by Avi
River Thunder by Will Hobbs
Where the Lilies Bloom by Vera Cleaver, Bill Cleaver
The Fire of Aries by Michael Ford
Birth of a Warrior by Michael Ford

Incoming 8th Grade

****The Abracadabra Kid: A Writer's Life* by Sid Fleischman**
A Girl Named Disaster by Nancy Farmer
Torn Thread By: Anne Isaacs
I Have Lived a Thousand Years by Livia Bitton-Jackson
And Then There Were None By Christie
Sackett by L'Amour
The Hobbit by JR Tolkien
Band of Brothers by Stephen E. Ambrose
Anna and the King of Siam By Margaret Landon
A Girl of the Limberlost by Gene Stratton Porter
Treasure Island By Robert Louis Stevenson
Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz
Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe
Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte
Tale of Two Cities by Charles Dickens
The Cay by Theodore Taylor
Children of the River by Linda Crew
Johnny Tremain by Esther Forbes
The Killer Angels by Michael Shaara
The Wizard of Oz by L. Frank Baum
Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Tom Sawyer