



6th Grade SUMMER READING PROJECT

Dear Parents,

It's summer, and it's time for your child to complete the LCCPS Summer Reading Project. Research has shown that students who read during the summer months retain more knowledge and enter the new school year more prepared than students who do not engage in summer reading. Reading is an important skill that is the foundation of not only academic success now but success as an adult. The summer reading project is a great opportunity for all 6th grade students and allows them to enjoy books to develop a lifelong love of reading. All 6th grade students attending LCCPS for the 2018-2019 school year will be required to complete the summer reading project. Please read this information carefully. This project will be one of the first grades earned in your child's ELA class.

The project will be due on the first day of school, August 28th.

Happy Reading!

1. Have your child choose **two books** to read carefully during the summer. You may reference the attached list, if needed.
2. Have your child complete a **summary** for one of the books and a **reader's response journal for the other book. You child will write letters to a character in the book.**
 - a. Write 1 letter to a character after you read Chapter 1
 - b. Write a 2nd letter to a character half-way through the book
 - c. Write a 3rd letter to a character at the end of the book
 - d. The letters should ask the character questions, make connections to the student's own life, make predictions, make inferences, and generally discuss what is happening with the character in the book
 - e. Length: at least 1 page for each letter
 - f. TYPED if possible

Book Choices (Entering 6th Grade):

- *Al Capone Does My Shirts* by Gennifer Choldenko
- *Brown Girl Dreaming* by Jacqueline Woodson
- *Chinese Cinderella* by Yen Mah
- *City of Ember* by Jeanne DuPrau
- *Counting by 7's* by Holly Goldberg Sloan
- *Crash* by Jerry Spinelli
- *Dead End in Norvelt* by Jack Gantos
- *Dragon Wings* by Lawrence Yep
- *Elephant Run* by Roland Smith
- *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library* by Chris Grabenstein
- *Fish in a Tree* by Lynda Mullaly Hunt
- *Force Out* by Tim Green
- *Found* by Haddix
- *Hold Fast* by Blue Balliet
- *How to Outrun a Crocodile When Your Shoes are Untied* by Jess Keating
- *Inside Out and Back Again* by Thanhha Lai
- *Jackaby* by William Ritter
- *Loser* by Jerry Spinelli
- *Mick Harte was Here* by Barbara Park
- *Midnight Thief* by Livia Blackburne
- *Miss Peregrine's Home of Peculiar Children* by Ransom Riggs
- *My Life in Dog Years* by Gary Paulsen
- *Olive's Ocean* by Kevin Henkes
- *Out of My Mind* by Sharon Draper
- *Paint the Wind* by Pam Ryan
- *Peak* by Ronald Smith
- *Phantom Tollbooth* by Norton Jester
- *Rump: The True Story of Rumpelstiltskin* by Liesl Shurtliff
- *Slob* by Ellen Potter
- *Spirit Animals: Wild Born (Book 1)* by Brandon Mull
- *The Body of Christopher Creed* by Carol Plum-Ucci
- *The Castle Behind Thorns* by Merrie Haskell
- *The Fighting Ground* by Avi
- *The Fourteenth Goldfish* by Jennifer L. Holm
- *The Graveyard Book* by Neil Gaiman
- *The Honest Truth* by Dan Gemeinhert
- *The Secret School* by Avi
- *The War that Saved my Life* by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley
- *The White Giraffe* by Lauren St. John
- *The Wild Robot* by Peter Brown
- *Time Out of Time: Beyond the Door (Book 1)* by Maureen Doyle McQuerry
- *Under the Egg* by Laura Marx Fitzgerald
- *When Zachary Beaver Came to Town* by Kimberly Willis Holt