

2021 Middle School Summer Reading Project



Dear Middle School Parents and Students:

We know you are looking forward to summer break, and we hope that reading will play a part in your summer fun and relaxation time. At each of the Madison County middle schools, the staff and administration are working year round to help improve the literacy skills of each of our students. Research suggests that summer reading not only sustains reading skills among students, but it enhances overall reading abilities. The more students read, the stronger their vocabulary and reading comprehension becomes.

We are requiring all students to read **ONE** novel or book and complete a project and presentation. We believe this summer reading will permit students to explore books which will encourage and promote more active reading enjoyment and comprehension.

Language Arts 6th, 7th, or 8th grade Reading Project Requirements:

1. Choose **ONE** novel or non-fiction book (minimum 100 pages).
2. Book **MUST NOT** be a book read previously as a class in school.
3. Complete **ONE** of the following book projects:

Poster (scene, timeline, etc.)	Book Review	Mobile
PowerPoint Presentation	Digital Storytelling (pictures/music—Windows Movie Maker)	Song/Poem
Book Cube	Model	Video Presentation (commercial, interview, scene)

*****Projects are due the 1st Monday that school is back in session.***

4. **Presentation:** Each student will complete a 5-10 minute presentation on his/her summer reading selection. Presentations should include the following information:

Novel (if you read a book that told a story)	Non-Fiction (if you read a fact-based book)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Characters • Setting • Plot • Conflict • Theme • Recommendation (Would you recommend this book to a friend?) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Topic • Background • Interesting Facts • Purpose (Why is this book important? What type of information does it provide?) • Overall concepts you learned from reading • Why did you choose this book?

*****The book project and presentation will count as an assessment grade in language arts class.*****

Where to check out novels/ books:

- * Madison County Public Library
- * Book Mobile
- * The school may have some available

Or – you can purchase books at Wal-Mart, etc.

**We have put a list of books on the back that we would like for you to choose from; however, it is not required that you choose from this list.
Happy Reading!**

Suggested Books for Incoming 6th Graders

Anne of Green Gables (Montgomery)

Hatchet (Paulsen)

Bridge to Terabithia (Paterson)

Bud, Not Buddy (Curtis)

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone (Rowling)

The Crossover (Alexander)

The Lightning Thief (Riordan)

The Hobbit (Tolkein)

Esperanza Rising (Ryan)

Wonder (Palacio)

The Hunger Games (Collins)

The Outsiders (Hinton)

A Wrinkle in Time (L'Engle)