Northwestern Middle School Summer Reading Information

Dear Future Student,

We are so excited to have you in our class this upcoming school year. As we get ready for all the learning and growing ahead, we would like to share something that will help set you up for a strong start – summer reading!

Reading over the summer is one of the best ways to keep your mind active and your imagination thriving. It does not have to feel like homework; in fact, it can be a chance to explore stories and ideas that genuinely interest you. Whether you love mystery, adventure, fantasy, history, or learning how things work, there is a book out there waiting just for you.

This summer, we encourage you to choose a book – or several! —that <u>you</u> want to read. You can visit the local library, ask friends and family members for suggestions, or browse online recommendations. What matters most is that you find something you enjoy.

To help save you time, we are including a list of suggested authors categorized by genre or topic. Please select an author and read at least one of their books. Be sure to take notes while you read, because you will complete an assignment in the first few days of school.

We hope this summer you will find time to curl up with a great book—and fall in love with reading all over again.

Please reach out to one of the Reading teachers if you need any assistance this summer. Have a wonderful, restful, and adventurous summer. We cannot wait to meet you soon! HAPPY READING!

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Adventure and Survival

Caroline B. Cooney Joan Lowery Nixon April Henry Ally Carter Lois Duncan

<u>Animals</u>

Ann M. Martin Phyllis Naylor Theodore Naylor Kate DiCamillo M.E. Herlong

<u>Fantasy</u>

Bruce Coville Gail Carson Levine Erin Hunter Tamora Pierce

<u>Futuristic/Dystopian</u>

Scott Westerfield Marissa Meyer Kiera Cass Margaret Peterson Haddix Veronica Roth S.A. Bodeen

Humor

Jerry Spinelli Jack Gantos James Patterson Louis Sachar Gordan Korman

<u>Mystery/Suspense</u>

Caroline B. Cooney Joan Lowery Nixon April Henry Jennifer Lynn Barnes Ally Carter Lois Duncan

<u>Sports</u>

Mike Lupica Carl Deuker Tim Green Matt Christopher Dan Gutman

<u>Teen Issues</u>

Sharon Draper John Green Sarah Dessen Lurlene McDaniel Paul Langan



After you finish reading your book, please complete the form using the QR code.