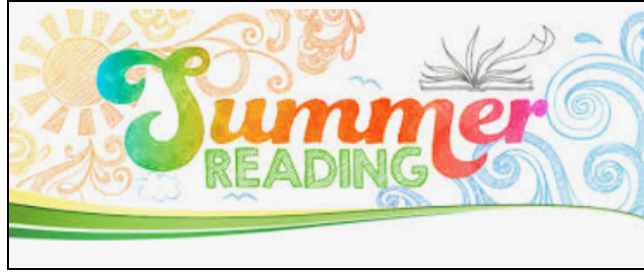


ELA Summer Reading



Entering 8th Grade

This year, summer reading is required. For more information about the various benefits of reading, check out these websites: [Edarabia](#), [Family Resource](#), [Oxford Learning](#), and [Reading Elephant](#).

Below is a list of summer reading books. **The students must choose 1 of these books and should be prepared to complete a graded project based on their book when they return to school.**

Parents/guardians, please read the linked review for each novel before making a selection. The maturity level of students entering eighth grade is vast, and a novel that appeals to one student may not be appropriate for another. You know your child best! You may also want to use [commonsensemedia.org](#) as a resource to determine if a book is appropriate for your child. Pay special attention to the books with * as they may contain sensitive topics.

Free online versions of many books can be found on [booksvooks.com](#) or online libraries such as Sora.com (through Classlink). Selections with + are available as audiobooks through Sora.

Title and Author	Lexile Level	Genre
American Born Chinese by Gene Luen Yang	530L	Graphic Novel
The Epic Fail of Arturo Zamora by Pablo Cartaya ⁺	750L	Fiction
The Benefits of Being an Octopus by Ann Braden ⁺	770L	Fiction
* Unbroken (WWII) by Lauren Hillenbrand ⁺ Young Adult Version	1010L	Nonfiction
Hurricane Child by Kacen Callender ⁺	1010L	Fiction