

2018-2019

Required Reading List

(Students will read the following books throughout the school year.)

6th GRADE:

Bridge to Terabithia- Paterson
The Lion, the Witch, & the Wardrobe- Lewis
Island of the Blue Dolphins- O'Dell
*A Wrinkle in Time- L'Engle
Tuck Everlasting- Babbitt
A Day No Pigs Would Die- Peck

7th GRADE:

*To Kill A Mockingbird- Lee
The Cay- Taylor
Where the Lilies Bloom- Cleaver
Call of the Wild- London
The Pearl- Steinbeck
The Ox-Bow Incident- Clark

8th GRADE:

The Giver- Lowry
Killing Lincoln- O'Reilly
*Of Mice and Men- Steinbeck
The Ugly American- Ledere & Burdick(if time permits)
Flowers for Algernon- Keyes
*The Outsiders- Hinton
Night- Wiesel

* = These books will be provided by the literature teacher.

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The Middle School Summer Reading List 2018



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Dear Middle School Students and Parents:

As a college professor and high school English teacher, I have extremely strong feelings concerning your child's reading program throughout his/her years at Gatewood. Each selection on the 2018-2019 reading list has been chosen with the utmost care to increase one's learning experience and to build a firm foundation for the college years.

Included on the inside of the booklet are the summer reading selections. On the back cover, you will find the required reading selections for the school year for each grade. These books will be read to encourage students to read at their own pace and to read books that interest each student individually. There are other works that will be read in class since they are included in each grade level textbook. Students will be tested over the summer books during the first two weeks of school.

Do not hesitate to email me if you have any questions. I, as well as the other language arts teachers, am looking forward to working with your child. Hopefully, these selections will continue to enhance our students' reading and comprehension skills as we strive to prepare them for future endeavors. Kindest regards,

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Summer Reading Requirements for students entering Grades 6th – 8th

Required Summer Reading

6th grade

Where the Red Fern Grows
The Whipping Boy

Wilson Rawls
Sid Fleishman

7th grade

Rascal
Across Five Aprils

Sterling North
Irene Hunt

8th grade

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer
The Red Badge of Courage

Mark Twain
Stephen Crane