

PARAMUS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Office of Curriculum



SUMMER READING 2020

Dear Middle School Parents/Guardians:

Irrefutable research shows that students who read continually over the summer retain competency both in fluency (the ease with which we read) and comprehension. We are committed to ensuring our students flex their reading muscles throughout the summer. As such, we recommend that all students read four books of choices over the summer.

Your child's Language Arts teacher has posted several websites in his/her Classroom that will serve to help you and your son and/or daughter choose four books that are of personal interest to him/her. Please take a moment to review your child's selections, and sign off on the Google Classroom Summer Reading document. For easier reference over the summer, the four choices will be saved in your child's Google Drive.

Please note that we encourage students to change their minds if they begin reading a novel, article, etc. that they no longer enjoy. These four selections are suggestions. There are so many great reads. Our goal is to help students select options for summer reading while allowing flexibility. We truly want students to read what they love.

When we return to school in the fall, your child will be asked to talk about what he/she read with classmates and teachers in an informal setting. There will not be any type of formal or graded assessment of summer reading. Research shows that the emphasis should be on the joy of reading throughout the summer.

Happy reading...and may the summer be both relaxing and productive!

Sincerely,

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Please see links to summer reading suggestions below.

The following links have been provided in your child's Summer Reading Google Classroom and are provided for your convenience.

Incoming 5th Graders: Summer Reading 2020

- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qKWsKap75wbYnqE0eY4-zehVvzQmwptl19eOdgC0Wol/edit>
- <https://ebccls.overdrive.com/ebccls-waldwick/teens>
- <https://pernillesripp.com/2020/05/28/the-best-books-for-middle-school-according-to-my-students-2020/>
- <https://www.barnesandnoble.com/blog/kids/8-empowering-middle-grade-novels-kids-interested-social-justice/>
- <https://imaginationsoup.net/7th-grade-summer-reading-list-age-12-13/>
- <https://www.barnesandnoble.com/blog/kids/category/middle-grade-fiction/>
- <https://www.commonsemmedia.org/reviews/age/11/age/12/age/13/age/14/category/book>
- <https://imaginationsoup.net/7th-grade-summer-reading-list-age-12-13/>
- <https://imaginationsoup.net/6th-grade-summer-reading-list-ages-11-12/>
- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1gOfKrna7SIP3ZVe4qa0Cf8Vj04re79nATZULqiLyePU/edit>
- <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/libby-by-overdrive/id1076402606>

Incoming 6th Graders:

- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qKWsKap75wbYnqE0eY4-zehVvzQmwptl19eOdgC0Wol/edit>
- <https://ebccls.overdrive.com/ebccls-waldwick/teens>
- <https://pernillesripp.com/2020/05/28/the-best-books-for-middle-school-according-to-my-students-2020/>
- <https://www.barnesandnoble.com/blog/kids/8-empowering-middle-grade-novels-kids-interested-social-justice/>
- <https://imaginationsoup.net/7th-grade-summer-reading-list-age-12-13/>
- <https://www.barnesandnoble.com/blog/kids/category/middle-grade-fiction/>
- <https://www.commonsemmedia.org/reviews/age/11/age/12/age/13/age/14/category/book>
- <https://imaginationsoup.net/7th-grade-summer-reading-list-age-12-13/>
- <https://imaginationsoup.net/6th-grade-summer-reading-list-ages-11-12/>
- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1gOfKrna7SIP3ZVe4qa0Cf8Vj04re79nATZULqiLyePU/edit>
- <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/libby-by-overdrive/id1076402606>

Incoming 7th Graders:

- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qKWwKap75wbYnqE0eY4-zehVvzQmwptl19eOdgC0Wol/edit>
- <https://ebccls.overdrive.com/ebccls-waldwick/teens>
- <https://pernillesripp.com/2020/05/28/the-best-books-for-middle-school-according-to-my-students-2020/>
- <https://www.barnesandnoble.com/blog/kids/category/middle-grade-fiction/>
- <https://imaginationsoup.net/7th-grade-summer-reading-list-age-12-13/>
- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1gOfKrna7SIP3ZVe4qa0Cf8Vj04re79nATZULqiLyePU/edit>
- <https://imaginationsoup.net/teen-summer-reading-list/>
- <https://www.barnesandnoble.com/blog/kids/8-empowering-middle-grade-novels-kids-interested-social-justice/>
- <https://www.commonensemedia.org/reviews/age/11/age/12/age/13/age/14/category/book>
- <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/libby-by-overdrive/id1076402606>

Incoming 8th Graders:

- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qKWwKap75wbYnqE0eY4-zehVvzQmwptl19eOdgC0Wol/edit>
- <https://ebccls.overdrive.com/ebccls-waldwick/teens>
- <https://pernillesripp.com/2020/05/28/the-best-books-for-middle-school-according-to-my-students-2020/>
- <https://www.barnesandnoble.com/blog/kids/category/middle-grade-fiction/>
- <https://imaginationsoup.net/teen-summer-reading-list/>
- <https://www.barnesandnoble.com/blog/kids/8-empowering-middle-grade-novels-kids-interested-social-justice/>
- <https://www.commonensemedia.org/reviews/age/11/age/12/age/13/age/14/category/book>
- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1gOfKrna7SIP3ZVe4qa0Cf8Vj04re79nATZULqiLyePU/edit>
- <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/libby-by-overdrive/id1076402606>

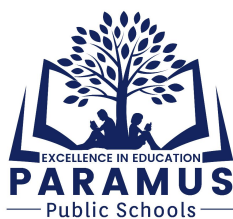
Incoming 9th Graders (PHS) General Summer Reading: (Please note that there is not a formal assessment for general summer reading).

- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qKWskap75wbYnqE0eY4-zehVvzQmwptl19eOdgC0Wol/edit>
- <https://ebccls.overdrive.com/ebccls-waldwick/teens>
- https://www.barnesandnoble.com/b/books/teens/_/N-29Z8q8Z19r4
- <https://www.penguinrandomhouse.com/books/best-sellers-social-issues-teen-young-adult>
- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1gOfKrna7SIP3ZVe4qa0Cf8Vj04re79nATZULqiLyePU/edit>
- <https://imaginationsoup.net/teen-summer-reading-list/>
- <https://www.goodreads.com/shelf/show/young-adult-social-issues>
- <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/libby-by-overdrive/id1076402606>

Incoming 9th Graders (PHS) HONORS Summer Reading Assignment:

- [HONORS English 9 Summer Reading 2020](#)
- <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/libby-by-overdrive/id1076402606>

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO USE THE FORM BELOW TO KEEP TRACK OF YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN'S SELECTIONS FOR YOUR SUMMER READING. REMEMBER YOUR SELECTIONS MAY CHANGE. READ WHAT YOU LOVE. PLEASE SAVE THIS FORM FOR YOUR RECORDS.



Paramus Public Schools, NJ

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Student Name: _____

Current English Language Arts Teacher: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

I, _____, will read the following this coming summer*:

Title	Author
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	

*Should a change become necessary over the summer, my parent will initial that s/he was aware of that change.



REMEMBER: **FLEX YOUR READING MUSCLES!** READING IN A CONSISTENT MANNER (FOR EXAMPLE, READING FOR 30 MINUTES EACH DAY, RATHER THAN A LOT ALL AT ONCE), WILL KEEP YOUR READING MUSCLES IN SHAPE!