

Kildeer Countryside School District 96

Middle School Summer Reading 2022-2023

Read and enjoy!

Assignment for ALL Incoming 6th-, 7th-, and 8th-Grade Students

Complete ALL 3 parts:

- ❑ **Part 1:** Read a book. We hope that you will read more than one! If you need some help finding a book, there are some book lists to explore as well as the local library websites.
- ❑ **Part 2:** Write a letter to your next year's language arts teacher. You will give this to your teacher on the first or second day of school. Read through the specific directions in Part 2 in order to complete your letter.
- ❑ **Part 3:** Have an adult at home sign the parental permission slip (attached at the bottom of this document). Please attach this permission slip to your letter when you give it to your teacher.

I pledge to read _____ books this summer!

Part 1: Read a book. If you have a book that you have been excited to read this summer, read that! You can also use one of the following lists for a suggestion. Take your time and read through the book descriptions. We hope that you will find more than one book to enjoy.

- **[2022 Newbery Award Winning Books](#):** There are also other book awards included on this site..
- **[Little Free Library: Read in Color](#):** Middle school books are in the middle column.
- **[School Library Journal](#):** You can search for titles under “book lists” or just explore other areas of the site for suggestions.

Here are some resources to help you access free books online or reserve/checkout a book at your local library:

- Local Libraries
You will need a library card to check out a library book online. If you do not have a library card, an adult at home can register on the library's website or in person.

[Ela Area Public Library](#)

[Indian Trail Library](#)

[Vernon Area Library](#)

[Cook Memorial Library](#) (Aspen Drive)

- **[Audible](#):** An adult at home can register for a free 30 day trial.

- [Epic!](#): An adult at home can register for a free 30-day account. Some students may have an account shared from their teacher.
- Adults, please refer to the following websites if you would like more specific information on any of the titles to determine whether or not a book on the list is suitable for your child.
 - [Scholastic for Parents](#)
 - [Common Sense Media](#)
 - [Rated Read Book Reviews](#)

If you have any questions or need assistance finding a book, please reach out to Mrs. Cooper: ecooper@kcsd96.org, Ms. Schaefer: sschaefer@kcsd96.org, or Mrs. Spiller: jspiller@kcsd96.org.

Part 2: Write a letter (typed or handwritten) to your next year's language arts teacher using the following format:

Date

Dear Mr./Mrs./Ms. Teacher's last name,

Paragraph #1: Introduce yourself. You can tell your teacher anything you want them to know about you such as: your family, your interests, subjects that are important to you, sports or instruments you play, how you enjoy your free time, any tv shows or movies you enjoy, or anything else you think would be important to share. Anything you share will help your teacher to know more about you.

Paragraph #2: Describe yourself as a language arts student. What are your strengths as a reader and writer? What are the areas where you struggle the most in language arts? What types of books do you enjoy reading? If you enjoy reading and writing, why? If you do not enjoy reading and/or writing, why? What are you looking forward to doing in language arts this year?

Paragraph #3: Talk about the book that you read over the summer. If you have read more than one book, you can choose which one you want to discuss. You can provide a review of the book or just discuss what you enjoyed about the book (or did not enjoy). Some potential questions you can answer or describe are: What specific parts stood out to you and why? Was there anything about the author's writing style that you enjoyed (or not)? Which character did you like the most and why? Was the ending surprising or were you led to believe something else would happen?

If there is anything else you wish to include in your letter, please do so!

Sincerely,

Sign your name

Part 3: Parental Acknowledgment Form. Turn this in with your letter to your teacher.

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COMPLETION ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM**

The book my child selected to read for summer reading was:

_____ by _____.
(Title) *(Author)*

My child and I have discussed their book(s) read this summer:

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date