



SUMMER READING 2024

REQUIRED READING REINFORCEMENT

All students entering grades 4 – 8 are required to complete summer reading prior to the 2024-2025 school year start. Each student will be required to read **two books**. Students will be assessed on their knowledge of the plot, characters, setting, and conflicts of the novels within the first few days of school. Assessments may be given in the form of written or oral book reports, group projects, or tests. Students are encouraged to take notes while reading.

Students entering grades PK – 3 are encouraged to participate in East Baton Rouge Parish Library’s Summer Reading Program. Information about the program can be found on their website at

<https://www.ebrpl.com/summerreading>.

ENTERING 4th GRADE	
Required Book	Choice Book – <u>Choose One</u>
<i>The One and Only Ivan</i> by Katherine Applegate	<p>Students may select a book of their choice using the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Books must be an AR level of 3.5 or higher.</i> • Please visit AR book finder at https://www.arbookfind.com/ to check the level and ensure your choice book meets the requirement. <p style="text-align: center;">-OR-</p> <p><i>Ranger in Time Escape from the Twin Towers</i> by Kate Messner <i>Sled Dog School</i> by Terry Lynn Johnson <i>Jake the Fake Keeps it Real (Book 1)</i> by Craig Robinson & Adam Mansbach</p>

ENTERING 5th GRADE	
Required Book	Choice Book – <u>Choose One</u>
<i>Out of My Mind</i> by Sharon M. Draper	<p>Students may select a book of their choice using the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Books must be an AR level of 4.0 or higher.</i> • Please visit AR book finder at https://www.arbookfind.com/ to check the level and ensure your choice book meets the requirement. <p style="text-align: center;">-OR-</p> <p><i>Lemons</i> by Melissa Savage <i>Wishtree</i> by Katherine Applegate <i>The Sweetest Sound</i> by Sherri Winston <i>One Mixed Up Night</i> by Catherine Newman <i>Things Seen from Above</i> by Shelley Pearsall</p>



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ENTERING 6th GRADE	
Required Book	Choice Book Requirements
Ground Zero by Alan Gratz	<p><i>Students may select a book of their choice using the following criteria:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Books must be an AR level of 4.5 or higher. • Students will take an assessment on choice books at the beginning of the school year. • Please visit AR book finder at https://www.arbookfind.com/ to check the level and ensure your choice book meets the requirement. • Please avoid reading the novels <i>Holes</i> by Sachar and <i>Wednesday Wars</i> by Schmidt as these are read during the school year.

ENTERING 7th GRADE	
Required Book	Choice Book Requirements
Restart by Gordon Korman	<p><i>Students may select a book of their choice using the following criteria:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Books must be an AR level of 5.0 level or higher. The book must be a minimum of 6 points. • Students will take an assessment on choice books at the beginning of the school year. • Please visit AR book finder at https://www.arbookfind.com/ to check the level and ensure your choice book meets the requirement. • Please avoid reading the novels <i>The Hobbit</i> by Tolkien and <i>Ghost</i> by Reynolds as these are read during the year.

ENTERING 8th GRADE	
Required Book	Choice Book Requirements
The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin	<p><i>Students may select an Autobiography or Biography for their choice book using the following criteria:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Books must be an AR level of 5.0 level or higher. The book must be a minimum of 6 points. • Students will take an assessment on choice books at the beginning of the school year. • Please visit AR book finder at https://www.arbookfind.com/ to check the level and ensure your choice book meets the requirement. • Please avoid reading the novel <i>The Outsiders</i> by S.E. Hinton as this novel is read during the school year.