



**MAYFIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL:
2025 SUMMER READING RECOMMENDED FICTION READING
for Students Entering 6th GRADE**

We suggest that students read at least one (1) book over the summer. The Lexile level indicates a *measure of a student's reading ability or the difficulty of a text. The Lexile measure is shown as a number with an "L" after it. A typical 6th grader reads in the 600L -900L range. We encourage reluctant readers to choose books with a 600L or below and enriched readers may select books above 900L.*

RECOMMENDED FICTION

Kwame Alexander. Crossover, Booked, Rebound (750L)
M.T. Anderson. Elf Dog and Owl Head (660L)
Katherine Applegate. The One and Only Ivan, The One and Only Bob (570L)
Kelly Barnhill. The Girl Who Drank the Moon, The Witch's Boy (640L)
Holly Black. Doll Bones (840L)
Erin Bow. Simon Sort of Says
Dusti Bowling. Insignificant Events in the Life of a Cactus (700L), Momentous Events in the Life of a Cactus (550L)
Andrew Clements. Extra Credit (830L)
Chris Colfer. The Land of Stories series (720 - 860L)
Sharon Draper. Double Dutch (760L), Blended (610L), Stella by Starlight (740L), Out of My Mind (700L), Out of My Heart (700L)
Rita Williams-Garcia. One Crazy Summer, P.S. Be Eleven, Gone Crazy in Alabama, (750L); Clayton Byrd Goes Underground (720L)
Dan Gemeinhart. The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise (730L)
Mark Goldblatt. Twerp (740L)
Margaret Peterson Haddix. Running Out of Time (730L), Among the Hidden series (800L), The Greystone Secrets series (730L)
Donna Barba Higuera. The Last Cuentista (730L)
Veera Hiranandani. The Night Diary (700L)
Will Hobbs. City of Gold (780L), Never Say Die (770L)
Jennifer L. Holm. The Fourteenth Goldfish, The Third Mushroom, (550L): Turtle in Paradise, (610L)
Anthony Horowitz. Alex Rider series: Stormbreaker, Point Blank, Skeleton Key, Eagle Strike, Scorpia, Ark Angel, (670L to 800L)
Erin Entrada Kelly. Hello, Universe (690L)
Gordon Korman. Schooled (740L), Restart, Ungifted, The Unteachables, (730L)
Ingrid Law. Savvy (1070)
Mike Lupica. The Only Game, Lonestars, Heat, Summer Ball, Travel Team & others (700 - 900L range)
Wendy Mass. Every Soul A Star (740L), A Mango Shaped Space (770L), Heaven Looks a Lot Like the Mall (1120L)
Meg Medina. Merci Suarez Changes Gears, Merci Suarez Can't Dance (700L)
Ben Mikaelson. Petey (740L)
Gary Paulsen. Hatchet (1020), The River (960L), Brian's Winter (1140L), Brian's Hunt (1120L), Brian's Return (1030L)
Jason Reynolds. Series: Ghost, Patina, Sunny, and Lu, (700L range), As Brave as You (750L)
Aisha Saeed. Amal Unbound (600L)
Gary D. Schmidt. Okay for Now (850L), The Wednesday Wars (990L)
Amy Timberlake. One Came Home (690L)
Clare Vanderpool. Moon Over Manifest, Navigating Early (800L)
Renee Watson. Piecing Me Together (680L), What Momma Left Me (630L)
Alicia D. Williams Genesis Begins Again (670L)
Lauren Wolk. Beyond the Bright Sea (770L), Wolf Hollow (800L)
Jacqueline Woodson. Brown Girl Dreaming (990L), Feathers (710L), After Tupac and D Foster (750L)

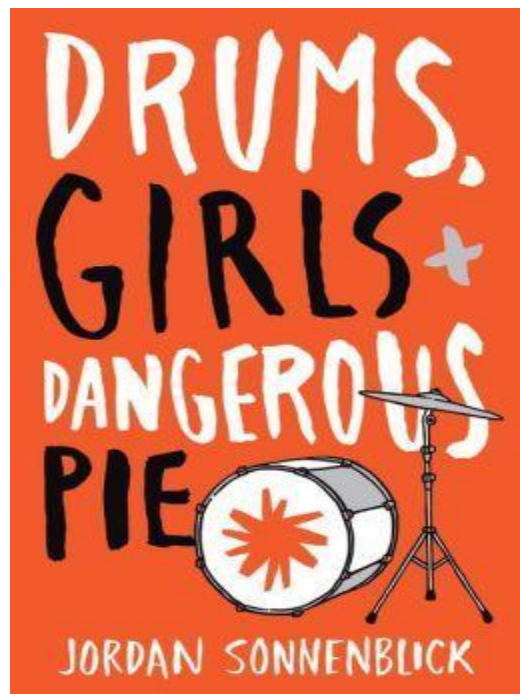


2025 Mayfield City Schools Summer Reading Book For Students Entering 7th Grade

- *Students are to obtain and read the book Drums, Girls and Dangerous Pie by Jordan Sonnenblick.** There are a minimum number of books to borrow on SORA.
 - *Students will be expected to have their book on the first day of school.**
 - *Students will be asked to demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of the text during the first week of school.**
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Drums, Girls and Dangerous Pies (young adult fiction) by Jordan Sonnenblick

Thirteen-year-old Steven has a totally normal life: he plays drums in the All-Star Jazz band, has a crush on a girl in school, and is constantly annoyed by his five-year-old brother, Jeffrey. When Jeffrey is diagnosed with leukemia, Steven's world is turned upside down. He is forced to deal with his brother's illness and his parents' attempts to keep the family in one piece. Salted with humor and peppered with devastating realities, DRUMS, GIRLS, AND DANGEROUS PIE is a heartwarming journey through a year in the life of a family in crisis.



****We encourage you to read and enjoy your own choices along with the assigned text****

SUMMER READING

MAYFIELD MIDDLE SCHOOL, 8TH GRADE

OVERVIEW

First, **read one text** from the following list of books.
Then, **watch the film** adaptation.
Complete the corresponding **assignment**.

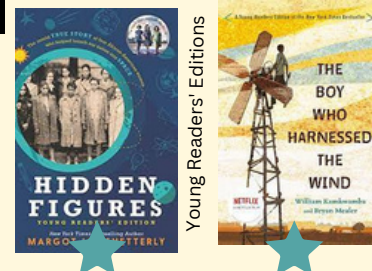
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You will be prompted to make a copy.
Save in your Drive to turn in and to discuss the first week of school.

FICTION



NONFICTION



Adolescent literature often contains sensitive or mature themes. The eighth-grade language arts teachers encourage students to make informed and shared decisions about reading with their parents. Students should discuss all title selections as well as movie ratings with a parent or guardian before making a choice.

Audio is encouraged for reluctant readers (to accompany the book rather than to replace it.)

- ★ ACCESSIBLE TITLES; SUITABLE FOR STRIVING OR RELUCTANT READERS; LEXILE BELOW 800.
- ★ SUITABLE FOR TYPICAL 8TH GRADE READERS; LEXILE 800-900.
- ★ ADVANCED TITLES; LEXILE 1000+.