



8th grade Summer Reading

Dear Parents of a Rising 8th Grader,

Welcome to 8th grade ILA where your students will READ, THINK, WRITE and practice effective communication skills! Students' summer reading requirements are below.

All 8th graders must read: *I Am Malala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World (Young Readers Edition)* by Malala Yousafzai, Patricia McCormick

In addition to reading *I am Malala* (Young Readers Edition) your child should **choose two novels** from the list below, all of which are available at Norfolk and Virginia Beach libraries at no cost. Your 8th grader should keep a **Summer Reading Journal** which contains the following:

1. Name and author of book
2. **Brief** summary (Example: This is about a 13 yr old girl moving to Brooklyn and getting a dog that always runs away. Example: This story takes place in the Civil War and is very sad because the children miss their father.)
3. Description of how the book made you feel. Did you enjoy it? Did you learn something? Was it scary? Funny? Exciting? In addition to these **three** books, feel free to record other books read this summer.

Choose Two

Catching Fire by Suzanne Collins

Mockingjay by Suzanne Collins

Looking for Alaska by John Green

Turtles All the Way Down by John Green

Paper Towns by John Green

Ender's Game by Orson Scott Card

Pax by Sara Pennypacker

The Crossover by Kwame Alexander

Booked by Kwame Alexander

The Gallagher Girls Series by Ally Carter (4 books)

The Giver Series by Lois Lowry (4 books - you've already read one)

During the 2018-2019 school year the entire class will read the books listed below. Please make sure your student does not read these over the summer, since this will not help them to get ahead. If anything this may result in them becoming bored when they are assigned to reread these with the class.

The Outsiders by S. E. Hinton
To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee
The Diary of Anne Frank
The Little Prince by Antoine de Saint Exupery

Thank you! Have a WONDERFUL SUMMER!

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