## Rising 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading Book List 2018



## **Summer Reading Assignment:**

- Read **2** Books (1 book from the list below & 1 book free choice minimum 150 pages).
- Complete the written assignment (directions sent home with report card).

| Genre              | Title / Author  | Description   |
|--------------------|---|---|
| Fantasy            | The Iron Trial<br>(Holly Black & Cassandra<br>Clare)        | Warned away from magic all of his life, Callum endeavors to fail the trials that would admit him to the Magisterium only to be drawn into its ranks against his will and forced to confront dark elements from his past.  |
| Fantasy            | The Land of Stories: The<br>Wishing Spell<br>(Chris Colfer) | Through the mysterious powers of a cherished book of stories, twins Alex and Conner leave their world behind and find themselves in a foreign land full of wonder and magic where they come face-to-face with the fairy tale characters they grew up reading about. |
| Science Fiction    | A Wrinkle in Time<br>(Madeleine L'Engle)                    | Meg Murry, her brother Charles, and their friend Calvin, embark on a journey through space and time, assisted by three otherworldly women, when they set out to find Meg's father, a physicist who disappeared while experimenting with time travel.                |
| Science Fiction    | Masterminds<br>(Gordon Korman)                              | A group of kids discovers they were cloned from the DNA of some of the greatest criminal masterminds in history for a sociological experiment.  |
| Historical Fiction | Projekt 1065<br>(Alan Gratz)                                | It is 1943, and thirteen-year-old Michael is a spy for the British Secret Service, so he has joined the Hitler Youth.  When he is asked to find out more about "Projekt 1065," both his and his parents' lives get a lot more dangerous.                            |
| Historical Fiction | Glory Be<br>(Augusta Scattergood)                           | Gloriana faces her twelfth birthday in 1964 and struggles with the changes she sees happening around her. Gloriana witnesses tempers rise in a debate over a segregated public pool.  |
| Historical Fiction | A Night Divided<br>(Jennifer Nielsen)                       | When the Berlin Wall went up, Gerta, her mother, and her brother Fritz were trapped on the eastern side where they were living, while her father, and her other brother Dominic were in the West. Should she risk her life trying to tunnel her way to freedom?     |
| Realistic Fiction  | The Seventh Most<br>Important Thing<br>(Shelley Pearsall)   | Arthur is sentenced to community service helping the neighborhood Junk Man after he throws a brick at the old man's head in a moment of rage.   |
| Realistic Fiction  | One for the Murphys<br>(Lynda Mullaly Hunt)                 | Carley struggles with being open to love after she suffers a betrayal that forces her to move in with a foster family.  |
| Realistic Fiction  | Counting by 7s<br>(Holly Goldberg Sloan)                    | Willow Chance must figure out how to connect with other people and find a surrogate family for herself after her parents are killed in a car accident.  |

| Poplistic Fiction | Mandan                                     | Wayne Keyek loses his uncle to war and his voice to a plane     |
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| Realistic Fiction | Mayday                                     | Wayne Kovok loses his uncle to war and his voice to a plane     |
|                   | (Karen Harrington)                         | crash and must learn to speak up as he navigates                |
|                   |  | relationships with his father, grandfather, and new friend.     |
| Adventure /       | Michael Vey: the Prisoner                  | Michael and Taylor have electric powers. With the help of       |
| Suspense          | of Cell 25                                 | Michael's friend, Ostin, the three of them set out to discover  |
|                   | (Richard Paul Evans)                       | how Michael and Taylor ended up with their abilities, which     |
|                   |  | brings them to the attention of a powerful group who wants      |
|                   |  | to control the electric teensand through them, the world.       |
| Adventure /       | The False Prince                           | In the country of Carthya, a devious nobleman engages four      |
| Suspense          | (Jennifer Nielsen)                         | orphans in a brutal competition to be selected to               |
|                   |  | impersonate the king's long-missing son in an effort to take    |
|                   |  | over the kingdom.   |
| Mystery           | The Book Scavenger                         | Just after Emily and her family move to San Francisco, she      |
|                   | (Jennifer Chambliss                        | teams up with new friend James to follow clues in an odd        |
|                   | Bertman)                                   | book they find, hoping to figure out its secrets before the     |
|                   |  | men who attacked Emily's hero, publisher Garrison Griswold,     |
|                   |  | solve the mystery or come after the friends.                    |
| Mystery           | Heist Society                              | Kat comes from a long line of thieves. When a powerful          |
| ,ster,            | (Ally Carter)                              | mobster believes her father stole art from a priceless          |
|                   | , , , , , ,                                | collection, Kat must recover the paintings in order to save     |
|                   |  | her father's life.  |
| Humor             | How to Survive Middle                      | When David Greenberg's best friend makes the start of           |
| numoi             | School                                     | middle school even worse than he feared it could be, David      |
|                   | (Donna Gephart)                            | becomes friends with Penny, who shares his love of              |
|                   | (Boilia Gepilart)                          | television shows and posts one of their skits on YouTube,       |
|                   |  | making them wildly popularonline, at least.                     |
| Sports            | Booked                                     | Nick loves soccer and hates books, but soon learns the power    |
|                   | (Kwame Alexander)                          | of words as he wrestles with problems at home, stands up to     |
|                   | (Kwame Alexander)                          | a bully, and tries to impress the girl of his dreams.           |
| Sports            | Baseball Genius                            | An average kid with an above average talent for predicting      |
| Sports            |  |   |
|                   | (Tim Green, Derek Jeter)                   | baseball pitches tries to help his favorite player out of a     |
|                   | The Communication Chairman                 | slump.  |
|                   | The Screaming Staircase                    | Follows three young operatives of a psychic detection agency    |
|                   | (Jonathan Stroud)                          | as they battle an epidemic of ghosts in London.                 |
| Non Fiction       | Ugly: A Memoir                             | Robert Hoge was born with a tumor the size of a tennis ball     |
|                   | (Robert Hoge)                              | in the middle of his face and short, twisted legs, but he       |
|                   |  | refused to let what made him different stand in the way of      |
|                   |  | leading a happy, successful life. This is the true story of how |
|                   |  | he embraced his circumstances and never let his "ugly" stop     |
|                   |  | him from focusing on what truly mattered.                       |
| Non Fiction       | Chasing Space: Young                       | Former football player, astronaut, and engineer, Leland         |
|                   | Readers Edition                            | Melvin recounts his career and achieving his dream of being     |
|                   | (Leland Melvin)                            | in space.   |
| Non Fiction       | Surviving Hitler                           | A biography of Jack Mandelbaum, who survived Nazi               |
|                   | (Androa Morrain)                           | concentration camps when he was a teenager.                     |
| Non Fiction       | (Andrea Warren)                            | concentration camps when he was a teenager.                     |
| Non Fiction       | (Andrea Warren)  Turning 15 on the Road to | Lynda Blackmon Lowery recounts her experiences as the           |
| Non Fiction       | ,  |   |

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