

Walnut Grove Summer Reading List 2021-2022

Incoming 7th, 8th graders, and 8th grade Honor Students

Students may pick any book off the list below to read as a summer reading assignment. **Each student is required to read one book before the first day of school.**

These books offer a variety of topics, themes, and reading levels.

- *Fever 1793* by Laurie Halse Anderson
- *Chains* by Laurie Halse Anderson
- *Where the Red Fern Grows* by Wilson Rawls
- *Around the World in 80 Days* by Jules Verne
- *Treasure Island* by Robert Louis Stevenson (H)
- *The Secret Garden* by Francis Hadgson Burnett (H)
- *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry* by Mildred D Taylor (H)
- *The Call of the Wild* by Jack London (H)
- *Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott (H)
- *Esperanza Rising* by Pam Munuz Ryan
- *All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys' Soccer Team* by Christina Soontornvat
- *Lyddie* by Katherine Paterson
- *I AM Malala* by Malala Yousafzai, Christine Lamb (H)
- *I am David* by Anne Holm

HONORS: Rising eighth graders that have been nominated for honors level English must read a book designated with an H and must use any original, unabridged version of the classics that are listed. The only exception is *I AM Malala*, which is offered in a young reader's edition for content.

Copies of books are available at public libraries and bookstores, as well as through online stores such as bookshop.org

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Dear Parents,

Students in rising 7th and 8th grade must read one novel off our approved list over the summer holidays. An assignment related to the completion of the book will be given to students their first week of school in August. Families are responsible for providing a copy of their chosen novel. Audio books are acceptable and are a wonderful way to experience stories. However, having a print or e-copy to go along with the audio version will be useful in completing the final assignment.

1. My student has picked the following title, and I approve it for my student to read:

Book Name _____

Author _____

2. I will make sure my student has a copy of the above title. Checking titles out of the library is acceptable (and encouraged!).

Thank you,

Middle School Teachers

Parent Signature _____ Date _____