

Dear Rising Seventh Graders,

It's time to think about summer reading! I want you to read books that you will enjoy, so I have included a lot of choices.

Here's your Required Summer Reading:

1. Please read *The Giver* by Lois Lowry toward the end of the summer. This way the book will be fresh in your memory when the school year begins.
2. When school begins in August, **be prepared to discuss this book in class.**

Here's your Free Choice Summer Reading Assignment:

1. **Choose and read 2 (two) books from the suggested reading list.**
2. **You must write a half a page review for each book.** Be sure to have a good topic sentence about whether you recommend the book or not, at least three details from the story to back up your opinion and a concluding sentence. The reviews are due by **Friday, August 25, 2023.**

That's it. Enjoy your reading. Read as much as you can, and I will see you in August.

If you have any problems or questions, please email me at

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Have a safe and fun summer,

Mrs. Ferguson

# Unity School Summer Reading Program

## Students Entering Grade 7 - 2023

Dear Parents and Students,

The following books are recommended for summer reading. Titles are chosen for their applicability to the curriculum, their recognition in journals, and in some cases, because of awards they have received. Students are encouraged to read as many books on the list as they choose; however, they must read the required title as well as two other books of their choice before the start of the school year. Students may NOT choose a book they have already read, either in class or for another book report. Enjoy reading and have a wonderful summer!

**Please note these are suggested books based on published lists for middle school students and have not been reviewed for content. Parents need to use their own discretion when students are choosing books.**

### Seventh Grade Summer Reading List:

\*Required: *The Giver* by Lois Lowry. Please read this book toward the end of the summer and be prepared to discuss it in September.

\*Free Choices: Please read two of the following books and write a half a page review of each due in August.

Around the World in 80 Days	Verne
The Bean Trees	Kingsolver
*****Better Nate than Ever	Federle
Beware Princess Elizabeth	Meyer, C.
The Big Field	Lupica
Boys' War	Murphy
Call of the Wild	London
A Circle Unbroken	Hotze
*Claudette Colvin, Twice Toward Justice	Hoose
*****Courage Has No Color, The True Story of the Triple Nickles:	
America's First Black Paratroopers	Stone
Danger Zone	Klass
<u>Dangerous Days of Daniel X. The</u>	Patterson
*****Doll Bones	Black
Downsiders	Shusterman
***Dead End in Norvelt	Gantos
Eldest	Paolini
Emergency Room	Cooney
Fell Back	Kerr
Fell Down	Kerr
Firegirl	Abbott
The Fog	Cooney, C.
Heat	Lupica
The Hero and the Crown	McKinley, R.
How to Ruin A Summer Vacation	Elkeles
The Hunger Games Series	Collins
Hunger Games, Catching Fire, Mockingjay	
Just Listen	Dessen

The Hobbit	Tolkien
King of Shadows	Cooper
Life As We Knew It	Pfeffer
The Man Who Was Poe	Avi
*Mare's War	Davis
Marley and Me	Grogan
Maximum Ride: School's Out Forever	Patterson
Miriam's Well	Ruby
Monster	Myers
*****Nazi Hunters: How a Team of Spies and Survivors Captured the Most Notorious Nazi	Bascomb
New Moon, Twilight, Eclipse, Breaking Dawn	Meyer
*****Paperboy	Vawter
Prince and the Pauper	Twain
River Secrets	Hale
Road of the Dead	Brooks
Scorpion	Myers, W.D.
Secret Life of Bees	Kidd
****Seraphina	Hartman, R.
**Ship Breaker	Bacigalupe
Squashed	Bauer
The Three Musketeers	Dumas
****Three Times Lucky	Turnage, S.
Treasure Island	Stevenson
The Wall: Growing Up Behind The Iron Curtain	Sis
The Wednesday Wars	Schmidt
Up a Road Slowly	Hunt
The Uglies, Pretties or Specials (any in series)	Westerfeld
Witch & Wizard	Patterson
Within Reach: My Everest Story	Pfetzner
****Wonder Show	Barnaby, H.

**Titles with \* are Newbery Award Winning Books**