

# Notre Dame Academy - Middle School Students

## Summer Reading List 2023

Dear Students,

Please choose a book to read from the suggested reading list for the grade you will be entering in September. Your goal is to read a book that interests you and one that you've not read before. Be ready to share your experience with your class when you come back to school in September. If you're not sure what these books are about, do some research to find out (Amazon has great brief summaries of books). Complete the attached journal packet during and after reading your book. Remember that copying from other students or the internet is plagiarism, and this will not be accepted! You will take a quiz on your book on Accelerated Reader when we return to school in the fall. Incoming 6th graders, you will hear more about Accelerated Reader when the school year starts. Accelerated Reader is an online tool that we use to keep track of our reading progress and goals throughout the year.

Do your best and enjoy your reading time over the summer! There is also a spot for you to add a bonus book review if you choose to read more than one book. Remember that "books are a uniquely portable magic" so if you are traveling this summer, bring a book along with you! Also, remember that summer reading is not meant to be jammed in at the last minute or looked at as a chore. Read your book a little bit each day and you will be amazed at the progress you make! You will not feel stressed about finishing it before the school year begins if you spread your reading time throughout the summer. Summer reading helps to improve your reading skills, comprehension, memory, vocabulary, self-esteem, and so much more!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Grew, ELA 6-8 Teacher at NDA

## Summer Reading List For NDA Middle School Students

<b>Students entering grade 6</b>	<b>Students entering grade 7</b>	<b>Students entering grade 8</b>
<i>My Side of the Mountain</i> by Jean Craighead George	<i>Sophia's War</i> by Avi	<i>A Night Divided</i> by Jennifer Nielson
<i>Hatchet</i> by Gary Paulsen	<i>Dragonwings</i> by Laurence Yep	<i>Chains</i> by Laurie Halse Anderson
<i>Close to Famous</i> by Joan Bauer	<i>Fever 1793</i> by Laurie Halse Anderson	<i>Time of the Witches</i> by Anna Myers
<i>Hoot</i> by Carl Hiaasen	<i>Lyddie</i> by Katherine Patterson	<i>Crossover</i> by Kwame Alexander
<i>Running Out of Time</i> by Margaret Peterson Haddix	<i>Savvy</i> by Ingrid Law	<i>Hidden Figures</i> (Young Readers Edition) by Margot Lee Shetterly
<i>The Story of My Life</i> by Helen Keller	<i>The Skin I'm In</i> by Sharon Flake	<i>Code Talker: A Novel about the Navajo Marines of World War II</i> by Joseph Bruchac
<i>Titanic: Voices from the Disaster</i> by Deborah Hopkinson	<i>I Am Malala</i> (Young Readers Edition) by Malala Yousafzai	<i>Brown Girl Dreaming</i> by Jacqueline Woodson
<i>My Life with Chimpanzees</i> by Jane Goodall	<i>The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind</i> (Young Readers Edition) by William Kamkwamba	<i>Behind Enemy Lines: A Young Pilot's Story</i> by H.R. DeMallie
<i>The Breadwinner</i> by Deborah Ellis	<i>The Notorious Benedict Arnold</i> by Steve Sheinkin	<i>Down the Rabbit Hole: An Echo Falls Mystery</i> by Peter Abrahams
<i>Bud, Not Buddy</i> by Christopher Paul Curtis	<i>Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie</i> by Jordan Sonnenblick	<i>Do the Math: Secrets, Lies, and Algebra</i> by Wendy Lichtman
<i>The Watsons Go to Birmingham—1963</i> by Christopher Paul Curtis	<i>Out of My Mind</i> by Sharon Draper	<i>Ghost</i> by Jason Reynolds
<i>Walk Two Moons</i> by Sharon Creech	<i>So B. It</i> by Sarah Weeks	<i>All the Broken Pieces</i> by Ann E. Burg
<i>Maniac Magee</i> by Jerry Spinelli	<i>The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg</i> by Rodman Philbrick	<i>Call of the Wild</i> by Jack London
<i>The Hero Two Doors Down</i> by Sharon Robinson	<i>Weedflower</i> by Cynthia Kadohata	<i>Woods Runner</i> by Gary Paulsen
<i>One Crazy Summer</i> by Rita Williams-Garcia	<i>Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky</i> by Kwame Mbalia	<i>Elijah of Buxton</i> by Christopher Paul Curtis
<i>Ungifted</i> by Gordan Korman	<i>Witches of Blackbird Pond</i> by Elizabeth George Speare	<i>That Was Then, This Is Now</i> by S.E. Hinton
<i>The River</i> by Gary Paulsen	<i>Double Identity</i> by Margaret Peterson Haddix	<i>The Hobbit</i> by J.R.R. Tolkien







