RTMS SUGGESTED SUMMER READING INCOMING 8TH GRADERS JACQUELINE WOODSON Best of the Best JORDAN SONNENBLICK SUGGESTIONS BY GEN

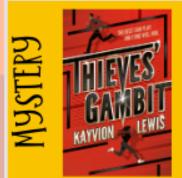
Have a favorite genre? Pick from these past and present Lone Star Books & Authors.







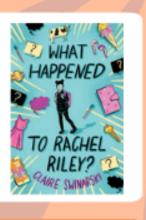










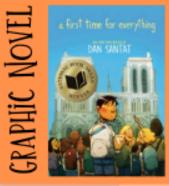
















WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO READ OVER THE SUMMER?

Research shows that students can maintain or improve reading **skills** when they are out of school for the summer.

Access to books over the summer increases reading opportunities and enjoyment of books, and helps students be ready for next school year.

Students who read at least five books during the summer can maintain important literacy skills.





While the district does not require summer reading, it is highly encouraged to prevent the summer slide and keep your student's academic skills sharp. This is a great time to foster a love of reading as well, so let them read anything they are interested in as long as it is something they haven't read before and is age appropriate. All types of reading countdon't scoff at their preference for audio books or graphic novels. Both trigger wonderful connections in the brain. Don't feel as if you have to buy your summer reading books, you can find a lot of options on Sora (In Clever) or at the library.

We suggest 2 books for on-level students and at least 3 books for AAC students. If you need help narrowing down your options, here are some titles that Ms. Davis recommends.

If these don't strike your fancy, shoot her an email for more suggestions. regan.davis@fortbendisd.com

Best of the Best

Before the Ever After by Jacqueline Woodson Drums, Girls and Dangerous Pie by Jordan Sonnenblick Unwind by Neal Shusterman Simon Sort of Says by Erin Bow

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In the After by Demitria Lunetta War Cross by Marie Lu

Fantasy

Lumara by Melissa Landers The Demon King by Cinda Williams Chima

Mystery

The Thieves' Gambit by Kayvion Lewis Zero Day by Jan Gangsei

HISTORICAL FIC

Stateless by Elizabeth Wein Heroes by Alan Gratz

NON-FICTION

Free Lunch by Rex Ogle Port Chicago 50 by Steve Sheinkin

Horror

The Haunting of Gabriel Ashe by Dan Poblocki A Monster Calls by Patrick Ness

Realistic Fic

Dinged by Tommy Greenwald What Happened to Rachel Riley? by Claire Swinarski

Graphic novels

A First Time for Everything by Dan Santat Hour of Need by Ralph Shayne

