



Discovery Middle School Incoming 6th Grade Summer Reading List

Reading has always been a primary focus at Discovery Middle School. We believe, and statistics have shown, that students who read during school breaks build and retain their personal reading skills. This Summer Reading Program was developed to encourage all students to practice reading throughout the long summer break.

All incoming 6th grade students must select and read **two** books from the list of 30 titles. Upon completion of each book, students will be required to take a computer-generated Reading Counts quiz. The completion of the assignment (reading the book and taking the test) will count as a grade for the student's Language Arts class. Therefore, students may want to take notes or complete a story map on the books they read so the information can be reviewed prior to taking the test. Many of the books on the summer reading list can be found through the Orange County Public Library System or a local bookstore.

Listed below are the dates and times Discovery's Media Center will be open during the summer for students to come in and take their tests.

Dates: June 12 to June 28
July 10 to July 19
July 31 to August 2

Days: Tuesday and Thursday

Times: 10:00 to 2:00

The following is a list of 15 titles compiled by the Language Arts and Reading Departments. The fifteen 2007-2008 Sunshine State Young Reader's Award program titles will also be included as part of the summer reading list. The SSYRA book list is now available. Please visit the following website for a copy of the list.

http://myssyra.org/grades6_8/68list.html

The Bad Beginning by Lemony Snicket 1010L

****Becoming Naomi Leon*** by Pam Munoz Ryan 830L

The City of Ember by Jeanne DuPrau 680L

Coraline by Neil Gaiman 740L

Cryptid Hunters by Roland Smith 750L

Doing Time Online by Jan Siebold 510L

Everything on a Waffle by Polly Horvath 950L

May Bird and the Ever After by Jodi Lynn Anderson 810L

Mick Harte was Here by Barbara Park 730L

Milkweed by Jerry Spinelli 510L

Once Upon a Marigold by Jean Ferris 840L

Overboard by Elizabeth Fama 690L

Pictures of Hollis Woods by Patricia Reilly Giff 650L

The Revealers by Doug Wilhelm 580L

The Wish List by Eoin Colfer 520L

***READ WITH CAUTION! If you see a book on this list with an asterisk (*) beside the title, please note that this book may be offensive or disturbing to some students.**

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Patti Schmidt, Literacy Coach, at schmidp@ocps.net. The students' Language Arts teacher will be able to answer other questions when the school year begins.

The number at the end of each description indicates the lexile level of the novel. For more information regarding lexile levels, please visit www.lexile.com