

Flushing Community Schools Summer Reading List



Entering Kindergarten

Read Alouds

Aylesworth: *Naughty Little Monkeys* c2003 *alphabet.*

Bang: *When Sophie Gets Angry - Really, Really Angry...* c1999 *character*

Crews: *The Neighborhood Mother Goose* c2004 *nursery rhymes, diversity*

Ehlert: *Pie in the Sky* c2004 *family fiction*

Kimmel: *The Gingerbread Man* c1993 *fairy tale*

Penn: *The Kissing Hand* c1993 *family life*

Pfister: *Rainbow Fish* *animal stories*

Pinkney: *The Lion & the Mouse* c2009 *wordless, fairy tale*

Prelutsky: *Read-Aloud Rhymes for the Very Young* c1986 *poetry*

Rosen: *We're Going on a Bear Hunt* c2003 *animals, fiction*

Rosenthal: *Duck! Rabbit!* c2009 *animals*

Shannon: *David Goes to School* c1999 *humor*

Sierra: *Counting Crocodiles* c1997 *counting, rhyming*

Sierra: *Wild About Books* c2004 *animals, humor*

Slate: *Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten* c2003 *school*

Taback: *Joseph Had a Little Overcoat* c1999 *diversity*

Thompson: *Little Quack* c2003 *animals*

Wood: *Alphabet Adventure* c2001 *alphabet*

Wood: *The Napping House* c1984 *sleep, fiction*

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Entering First Grade

Read Alouds

Bailey: *Stanley's Party* c2003 dogs, humor

Bloom: *A Splendid Friend Indeed* c2005 friendship.

Bourgeois: *Franklin in the Dark* c1986 fear, fiction.

Bruel: *Bad Kitty* c2005 alphabet

Carle: *Mister Seahorse* c2004 animals, fiction

Cousins: *Yummy: Eight Favorite Fairy Tales* c2009 fairy tales

Cronin: *Dooby, Dooby, Moo* c2004 animal humor

Ehlert: *Market Day: A Story Told with Folk Art* c2000 stories in rhyme, fiction

Falconer: *Olivia series* pigs, fiction

Lester: *Hooway for Wodney Wat* c1999 fantasy, abilities awareness

Lionni: *Swimmy* c1991 fish stories.

McKinley: *One Smile* c2002 kindness

Numeroff: *Beatrice Doesn't Want To* c2004 realistic fiction, humor

Prelutsky: *Me I Am* c2007 poetry

Rathmann: *Ruby the Copycat* c1991 school, fiction

Shannon: *A Bad Case of Stripes* c1998 individuality, fiction

Independent Reading

Capucilli: *Biscuit series* dog stories

Gelman: *More Spaghetti I Say* c1993 stories in rhyme, humor

Johnson: *Alphabet City* c1995 alphabet

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Entering Second Grade

Read Alouds

Brett: *Town Mouse, Country Mouse* c1994, 2003 *fable*

Cannon: *Crickwing, Pinduli, Stلالuna, Verdi*, insects, *fiction*

Ernst: *Sylvia Jean, Scout Supreme* c2010 *fantasy animals, humor*

Hoberman: *You Read to Me, I'll Read to You: Very Short Stories to Read Together* c2001 *stories in rhyme*

Hoffman: *Amazing Grace* c1991 *diversity, fiction*

Lobel, Arnold: *Frog and Toad* *series*

Mayer: *Little Critter* stories *fantasy, animals*

McKissack: *The Honest-to-Goodness Truth* c2000 *character, ethnic diversity*

McNaughton: *Once Upon an Ordinary School Day* c2004 *school story*

Numeroff: *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* and sequels c1985 *cumulative tales*

Orloff: *I Wanna Iguana* c2004 *letters, fiction*

Pallotta: *Dory Story* c2000 *sea story, fiction*

Peet: *The Ant and the Elephant* c1972 *animals, fiction*

Polacco: *Aunt Chip and the Triple Creek Dam Affair* c1996 *TV, reading, fiction.*

Rand, Jonathon: Freddie Fernortner: Fearless First Grader *chapter book series*

Schachner: *Skippyjon Jones* c2003 *humor*

Steig: *Brave Irene* c1986 *fiction*

Stevens: *And the Dish Ran Away With the Spoon* c2001 *nursery rhymes*

Woodson: *The Other Side* c2001 *friendship, ethnic diversity*

Independent Reading

Crews: *Below* c2006 *fiction*

Lionni: *Little Blue and Little Yellow* c1959 *friendship, colors*

Lobel: *Frog and Toad* stories *classics*

Rylant: *Henry and Mudge* stories *family, dogs, humor*

Sharmat: *Nate the Great* series *mystery*

Silverman: *Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa* series *fiction*

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Entering Third Grade

Read Alouds

Bridges: *Ruby's Wish* c2002 historical fiction, ethnic diversity.

Curtis: *The Bat Boy and His Violin* c1998 sports, music, ethnic diversity

Independent Reading

Adler: *Bones* series mystery

Bourke: *Christian the Lion: Based on the True Story of Anthony (Ace) Bourke, John Rendall and Christian the Lion* c2009 nonfiction

Bunting: *One Green Apple* c2006 historical fiction, ethnic diversity.

Cleary: *Math is CATegorical* series stores in rhyme, mathematics

Cleary: *Beezus and Ramona*

Cronin: *Diary of a Fly* c2007 animal fiction

Dadey: *Adventures of the Bailey School Kids* series schools, fiction

DeFelice: *One Potato, Two Potato* c2006 fairy tale

DiCamillo: *Mercy Watson* series animal, fantasy, humor

Foxworthy: *Dirt On My Shirt* c2008 poetry

Holm: *Babymouse* series c2005 graphic fiction, friendship, imagination

Hopkinson: *Abe Lincoln Crosses a Creek: A Tall, Thin Tale (Introducing His Forgotten Frontier Friend)* c2008 historical fiction

Johnson: *Just Like Josh Gibson* c2007 sports fiction, historical fiction

Kerrin: *Martin Bridge: Ready for Takeoff!* c2005 fiction

Kinney, Jeff: *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* chapter book series

Meadows, Daisy: *Rainbow Magic* series

Pinkney: *The Ugly Duckling* c1999 fairy tale

Rand, Jonathon: *American/Michigan Chillers* chapter book series

Russel, Rachel Renee: *The Dork Diaries* series

Sachar: *Marvin Redpost* series fiction

Stilton: *The Geronimo Stilton* series mice, fantasy, mystery

Tunnell: *Mailing May* c1997 historical fiction

Warner: *Only Emma* c2005 fiction

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Entering Fourth Grade

Abbot: *Secrets of Droon* series fantasy

Birney: *The World According to Humphrey* c2005 fiction, humor

Bruchac: *The Girl Who Helped Thunder and Other Native American Folktales* c2008 folklore

Clements: *Lunch Money* c1994 school, humor

Fleming: *The Fabled Fourth Graders of Aesop Elementary School* c2007 fiction, school.

Grimes: *Talkin' About Bessie* c2002 biography, ethnic diversity

Gutman: *My Weird School* school, humor

Hip Hop Speaks to Children: *A Celebration of Poetry with a Beat* c2008 poetry

Hurwitz: *Fourth Grade Fuss* c2004 school story.

Kehret: *Shelter Dogs: Amazing Stories of Adopted Strays* c1999 animals, non-fiction

Klingel: *Go Fly a Kite! (And Other Sayings We Don't Really Mean)* c2008 idioms, figures of speech

Mazer: *Amazing Days of Abby Hayes* series fiction

Myers: *Blues Journey* c2003 poetry, ethnic diversity

Noble: *The Last Brother (Tales of Young America series)* c2006 historical fiction

Osborne: *Magic Tree House* series time travel, fiction

Pennypacker: *Clementine* c2006 fiction, series

Rand, Jonathon: *American/Michigan Chillers* chapter book series

Russel, Rachel Renee: *The Dork Diaries* series

Shelby: *Adventures of Molly Whuppie and Other Appalachian Folktales* c2007

Van Draanen: *Shredderman* series fiction

Wiles: *Each Little Bird Sings* c2005 family life, grief, fiction.

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Entering Fifth Grade

Alvarez: *How Tia Lola Learned to Teach* c2010 divorce, family life, fiction

Clements: *We the Children* series c2010 mystery

Collins: *Gregor the Overlander* c2003 fantasy

DiCamillo: *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* c2006 fantasy.

Giff: *Storyteller* c2010 families, historical fiction

Going: *The Liberation of Gabriel King* c2005 race relations, friendship.

Hahn: *All the Lovely Bad Ones* c2008 ghost stories.

Hawkins: *The Year the Money Grew on Trees* c2008 farm life, fiction.

Lowry: *The Willoughbys* c2008 family life, humorous stories

Lupica: *Two-Minute Drill* c2007 dyslexia, football stories

Maya Angelou c2007 poetry.

Nelson: *Bad News for Outlaws: The Remarkable Life of Bass Reeves, US Marshal* c2009 biography, ethnic diversity

Paulsen: *Hatchet* c1987 survival, fiction

Pearson: *Kingdom Keepers* series suspense fiction

Peck: *A Year Down Yonder* c2000 humor, historical fiction.

Smith: *Bone* c2004 graphic novel

Stewart: *The Mysterious Benedict Society* c2007 fiction, adventure

Thomas: *The Kids Guide to Money Cent\$* c2004 , personal finance, nonfiction

Wilson (editor): *Maya Angelou* c2007 poetry.

Various authors: *Dear America* series historical fiction

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Angelberger: *The Strange Case of Origami Yoda* c2010 realistic fiction

Cushman: *The Ballad of Lucy Whipple* c1996 historical fiction

Di Camillo: *The Tale of Despereaux: Being the Story of a Mouse, a Princess, Some Soup and a Spool of Thread* c2003 fantasy

DuPrau: *City of Ember* c2003 science fiction

In the year 241, twelve-year-old Lina trades jobs on Assignment Day to be a Messenger to run to new places in.

Fleischman: *Escape! The Story of the Great Houdini* c2006 biography.

Friedman: *Freedom Walkers: The Story of the Montgomery Bus Boycott* c2006 narrative nonfiction

Giff: *Nory Ryan's Song* c2000 historical fiction

Golding: *The Secret Within* c2002 realistic fiction.

Isaacs: *Torn Thread* c2000 historical fiction

Kehret: *Abduction!* c2004 realistic fiction

Levine: *Hana's Suitcase: A True Story* c2002 biography, narrative nonfiction.

Lourie: *The Manatee Scientist: Saving Vulnerable Species* c2011 nonfiction

Potter: *Slob* c2009 mystery, realistic fiction

Rhodes: *Ninth Ward* c2010 realistic fiction

Ryan: *Esperanza Rising* c2000 realistic fiction.

Sachar: *Holes* c1998 realistic fiction

Selznick: *The Invention of Hugo Cabret: A Novel in Words and Pictures* c2007 historical fiction

Smith: *Peak* c2007 realistic fiction, adventure

Spinelli: *Stargirl* c2000 realistic fiction

Vanderpool: *Moon over Manifest* c2010 historical fiction

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Entering Sixth Grade

Frank Asch. *Star Jumper: a Journal of a Cardboard Genius; Gravity Buster: Journal #2 of a Cardboard*

Dave Barry and Ridley Pearson. *Peter and the Starcatchers: Peter and the Shadow Thieves; Peter and the Secret of Rundoon; Peter and the Sword of Mercy. (Peter and the Starcatchers)*

Jeanne Birdsall. *The Penderwicks: A Summer Tale of Four Sisters, Two Rabbits, and a Very Interesting Boy* (National Book Award for Young People's Literature) ;

Gennifer Choldenko. *Al Capone Does My Shirts; Al Capone Shines My Shoes.*

Andrew Clements. *We the Children; Fear Itself; Whites of Their Eyes. (Benjamin Pratt & the Keepers of the School)*

Suzanne Collins. *Gregor the Overlander; Gregor and the Prophecy of Bane; Gregor and the Curse of the Warmbloods; Gregor and the Marks of Secret; Gregor and the Code of Claw.*

Doug Cooney. *The Beloved Dearly.*

Sharon Creech. *Heartbeat.*

Gitty Daneshvari. *School of Fear; Class is NOT Dismissed; Final Exam.*

Paul Fleischman. *Bull Run*

Patricia Reilly Giff. *Storyteller.*

Michael Grant. *The Magnificent 12: The Call; The Magnificent 12: The Trap.*

Tim Green. *Football Genius; Football Champ; Football Hero; The Big Time; Baseball Great; Rivals; Best of the Best.*

Tom Greenwald. *Charlie Joe Jackson's Guide to Not Reading; Charlie Joe Jackson's Guide to Extra Credit.*

Kimberly Willis Holt. *When Zachary Beaver Came to Town.*

Kathleen Karr. *The Great Turkey Walk.*

Gordon Korman. *The 6th Grade Nickname Game.*

Jack London. *White Fang.*

Lois Lowry. *The Willoughbys.*

Marianne Malone. *The Sixty-Eight Rooms; Stealing Magic*

Leslie Margolis. *Boys are Dogs; Girls Acting Catty.*

Wendy Mass. *The Candymakers.*

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