

2019 Decatur City Schools Summer Reading List

6th grade/All Students- *Fish in a Tree* by Linda Mullaly Hunt

7th grade Regular - *Maniac Magee* by Jerry Spinelli

7th grade Honors - *Freak the Mighty* by Rodman Philbrick

8th grade Regular- *The Pearl* by John Steinbeck

8th grade Honors- *The Pearl* by John Steinbeck

“The Golden Touch” by Nathaniel Hawthorne

Optional Suggested Reading for 6th grade:

The View from Saturday by E.L. Konigsburg

Smile by Raina Telgemeier

Number the Stars by Lois Lowry

Hate That Cat by Sharon Creech

Middle School: The Worst Years of My Life by Chris Tebbetts and James Patterson

Optional Suggested Reading for 7th grade:

The Outsiders by S. E. Hinton

Wonder by R. J. Palacio

Miracle’s Boys by Jacqueline Woodson

Among the Hidden by Margaret Haddix Peterson

Rebound by Kwame Alexander

Additional Suggestions for Higher Level Reading 7th grade:

The Giver by Lois Lowry

Tuck Everlasting by Natalie Babbitt

Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred D. Taylor

Ghost by Jason Reynolds

Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson

Optional Suggested Reading for 8th grade:

Alice’s Adventures in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll

The Maze Runner by James Dashner

Chasing Lincoln’s Killer by James L. Swanson

Paper Town by John Green

Freedom Walkers by Russell Freedman

Additional Suggestions for Higher Level Reading 8th grade:

Anthem by Ayn Rand

Manhunt: The 12-Day Chase for Lincoln's Killer by James L. Swanson

And Then There Were None by Agatha Christie

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time by Mark Haddon

9th Grade/All Students-

Monster by Walter Dean Meyers

Gathering Blue by Lois Lowry

Animal Farm by George Orwell

10th Grade/All Students-

Ashes by Laurie Halse Anderson

The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto by Mitch Albom

A Separate Peace by John Knowles

11th Grade/All Students-

Their Eyes were Watching God by Zora Neale Hurston

The Lone Ranger and Tonto Fistfight in Heaven by Sherman Alexie

The Joy Luck Club by Amy Tan

12th Grade/ All Students-

Catch-22 by Joseph Heller

Black Boy by Richard Wright

I'm Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter by Erika L. Sanchez

DHS 11th Grade AP-

Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck

Thank You for Arguing (3rd Edition) by Jay Heinrichs

DHS 12th Grade AP-

Lord of the Flies by William Golding

How to Read Literature Like a Professor by Thomas C. Foster

AHS 11th Grade Dual Enrollment-

How to Read Literature Like a Professor by Thomas C. Foster

Ready Player One by Ernest Cline

AHS 12th Grade Dual Enrollment-

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A Place For Us by Fatima Farheen Mirza

AHS 11th Grade AP - Non-Fiction:

A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier by Ishmael Beah

Everything Bad is Good for You: How Today's Popular Culture is Actually Making Us Smarter by Steven Johnson

The Hiding Place by Corrie Ten Boom

I am a SEAL Team Warrior by Howard Wasdin

The Most They Ever Had by Rick Bragg

On Writing by Stephen King

Speed Reading by Calvin Horgan

AHS 11th Grade AP - Fiction

An Ember in the Ashes by Sabaa Tahir

Batman: The Court of Owls and ***Batman: The City of Owls*** by Scott Snyder

Carve the Mark by Veronica Roth

I'm Not Your Perfect Mexican Daughter by Erika Sanchez

The Joy Luck Club by Amy Tan

The Raven Boys by Maggie Stiefvater

Their Eyes were Watching God by Zora Neale Hurston

AHS 12th Grade AP –

How to Read Literature Like a Professor by Thomas C Foster

A Place for Us by Fatima Farheen Mirza