



Crittenden Middle School Summer Reading Project 2018

Crittenden students, entering the 6th, 7th, and 8th grades will read at least **ONE** book over the summer. Each student is responsible for completing **ONE** activity from the project board. Projects should be middle school presentation quality! Resources/examples are hyperlinked in the text and can be viewed from our homepage. This assignment will be due during the first week of school and should be completed *before* the start of school.

<p>Social Media</p> <p>Create a “Fakebook” profile page for one of the main characters in your novel. Or, you may create a text conversation, related to the plot, between two or more characters from your novel. Use the SMS Text Generator, or iFakeText to create this dialogue between characters.</p>	<p>Dear Diary</p> <p>Pretend to be one of the main characters from your novel and write a diary entry from their point of view. Explain how this character is thinking/feeling about a pivotal event, major decision, etc. Reflect on what is happening as well as how the character may be changed. Can be completed digitally.</p>	<p>Poetry Corner</p> <p>Write a poem that connects to your novel. Your poem should focus on some aspect of plot, characters, setting, or theme. The poem may be written from the perspective of one of the novel’s characters. Use figurative language and imagery to make your poem come alive!</p>
<p>Artist Alley</p> <p>Create a cartoon / story board / picture book (minimum of 6 panels) that is based on your novel. It may focus on a pivotal series of events or summarize the entire novel in chronological order. This activity may be hand drawn, or created digitally. Additional digital resource: here.</p>	<p>Author Inquiry</p> <p>Write a letter to the author of your chosen novel. Explain what you liked and disliked, ask any questions that you have about the story/characters, explain what you would have changed if you were the author, and mention at least one thing that you will always remember about this novel and why. (Should be written in letter format!) Put the letter in an envelope and decorate it so it represents the novel.</p>	<p>Character Interview</p> <p>Interview a major character from your chosen novel. This can be done in the form of a written transcript, podcast, radio, or you can film a tv interview. The interview should have three parts: 1-an introduction of the character and novel, 2-a minimum of ten questions & answers which will explore the character’s personality & decisions, and 3-a conclusion.</p>

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Check out the CMS homepage (<http://cms.nn.k12.va.us/>) for more information about the project and to view the hyperlinks.

Hyperlinks do not represent the only resource options for these projects. Be creative!

Here is a suggested list of books but students may pick a book of interest not on the list for this project

2018 Summer Reading for Middle School English

Students entering 6th, 7th, or 8th grade should read at least one book that they will discuss in September. This list suggests authors and titles that are popular with middle school students. Students may choose from this list or they may select any other book that appeals to them.

Copies of these books are available in the schools, at public libraries, and at local bookstores.
The back of this list includes some questions students can consider while reading.

* Favorite authors!

Fiction

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| *Kwame Alexander. <i>The Crossover</i> . | <i>Followed Me Home</i> . | Shelley Pearsall. <i>The Seventh Most Important Thing</i> . |
| *Kwame Alexander. <i>Booked</i> . | Nikki Grimes. <i>Garvey's Choice</i> . | Rodman Philbrick. <i>The Big Dark</i> . |
| *Laurie Halse Anderson. <i>Chains</i> . | M.G. Hennessey. <i>The Other Boy</i> . | *Jason Reynolds. <i>Ghost</i> . |
| Tom Angleberger. <i>Fuzzy</i> . | K.A. Holt. <i>House Arrest</i> . | *Jason Reynolds. <i>Patina</i> . |
| All Benjamin. <i>The Thing about Jellyfish</i> . | Lynda Mullaly Hunt. <i>Fish In a Tree</i> . | Dianne K. Salemi. <i>The Eighth Day</i> . |
| Kimberly Brubaker Bradley. <i>The War That Saved My Life</i> . | Victoria Jamieson. <i>Roller Girl</i> . | Gary D. Schmidt. <i>Orbiting Jupiter</i> . |
| Candace Fleming. <i>On the Day I Died</i> . | Wait Key. <i>Hideout</i> . | Holly Sloan. <i>Counting by 7s</i> . |
| Dan Gemeinhart. <i>Scar Island</i> . | *Gordon Korman. <i>Ungifted</i> . | Jonathan Stroud. <i>The Screaming Staircase</i> . |
| Stuart Gibbs. <i>Space Case</i> . | Thanhha Lal. <i>Inside Out and Back Again</i> . | Raina Telgemeier. <i>Drama</i> . |
| Stuart Gibbs. <i>Spy School</i> . | John Lewis. <i>March I, II, III</i> . | A.B. Westrick. <i>Brotherhood</i> . |
| Mark Goldblatt. <i>Twerp</i> . | Kate Messner. <i>All the Answers</i> . | J.A. White. <i>The Thicketty: A Path Begins</i> . |
| Alan Gratz. <i>Prisoner B-3087</i> . | Michael Morpurgo. <i>Shadow</i> . | Lauren Wolk. <i>Wolf Hollow</i> . |
| Paul Griffin. <i>When Friendship</i> | Jennifer A. Nielsen. <i>A Night Divided</i> . | |

Nonfiction

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| Georgia Bragg. <i>How They Croaked</i> . | Tanya Lee Stone. <i>Almost Astronauts: 13 Women Who Dared to Dream</i> . |
| Alton Carter. <i>The Boy Who Carried Bricks</i> . | Steve Sheinkin. <i>Bomb - The Race to Build and Steal the World's Most Dangerous Weapon</i> . |
| Kenneth C. Davis. <i>In the Shadow of Liberty: The Hidden History of Slavery, Four Presidents, and Five Black Lives</i> . | Steve Sheinkin. <i>Port Chicago 50: Disaster Mutiny, and the Fight for Civil Rights</i> . |
| Candace Fleming. <i>The Family Romanov: Murder, Rebellion and the Fall of Imperial Russia</i> . | Margot Lee Shetterly. <i>Hidden Figures: The Untold Story of Four African-American Women Who Helped Launch Our Nation into Space</i> . |
| *Russell Freedman. <i>Because They Marched: The People's Campaign for Voting Rights that Changed America</i> . | James L. Swanson. <i>The President Has Been Shot!: The Assassination of John F. Kennedy</i> . |
| Phillip Hoose. <i>The Boys Who Challenged Hitler</i> . | Malala Yousafzai. <i>I am Malala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World (Young Readers Ed.)</i> . |
| Lucy Knisley. <i>Relish: My Life in the Kitchen</i> . | |
| Leon Leyson. <i>The Boy on the Wooden Box</i> . | |
| Barack Obama. <i>Dreams from My Father</i> . | |
| Eric Schlosser and Charles Wilson. <i>Chew on This: Everything you Don't Want to Know About Fast Food</i> . | |

More favorite authors!

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| Marc Aronson (nonfiction) | Kristen Levine |
| Susan Campbell Bartoletti (nonfiction) | Lois Lowry |
| Sharon Creech | Kekia Magoon |
| Matt de la Pena | Wendy Mass |
| Sharon Draper | Milton Meltzer (nonfiction) |
| Sharon Flake | Walter Dean Myers |
| Alan Gratz | Laurence Pringle (nonfiction) |
| Tim Green | Rick Riordan |
| Margaret Peterson Haddix | Dyan Sheldon |
| Carl Hiaasen | Jerry Spinelli |
| S.E. Hinton | J.R.R. Tolkien |
| | Jacqueline Woodson |

Series

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| Laurie Halse Anderson. <i>Seeds of America</i> . | Brandon Mull. <i>Fablehaven</i> . |
| Tom Angleberger. <i>Origami Yoda</i> . | Pittacus Lore. <i>I am Number Four</i> . |
| Victoria Aveyard. <i>Red Queen</i> . | James Patterson. <i>Middle School, The Worst Years of My Life</i> . |
| Kiera Cass. <i>The Selection</i> . | Rick Riordan. <i>Percy Jackson and the Olympians</i> . |
| Cassandra Clare. <i>Mortal Instruments</i> . | Veronica Roth. <i>Divergent</i> . |
| Cassandra Clare. <i>Infernal Devices</i> . | Neal Schusterman. <i>Unwind Dystology</i> . |