



## Lawrence Public Schools

# Summer Reading List

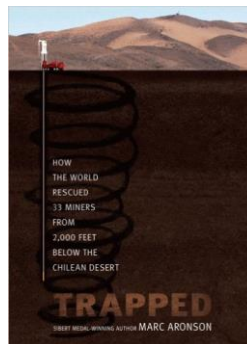
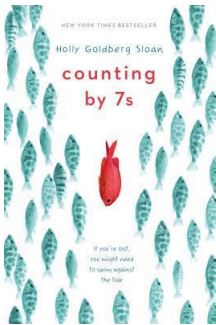
## Students Entering Grade 7



### Great Summer Reads

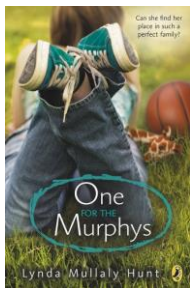
#### Trapped: How the World Rescued 33 Miners from 2,000 Feet Below the Chilean Desert

by Marc Aronson



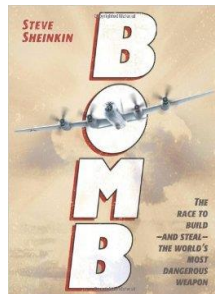
#### Counting by 7s

by Holly Goldberg Sloan



#### One for the Murphys

by Lynda Hunt



#### Hush

by Jacqueline Woodson

#### Bomb: The Race to Build – and Steal– the World’s Most Dangerous Weapon

by Steve Sheinkin

Dear Parent(s) & Guardian(s):

Summer vacation is almost here! We hope that you make it a time to **REST, RELAX, READ**, but above all **ENJOY!** Reading, like a sport, involves practice and skill. Real skill building occurs when children read for pleasure, when children read “just right” books, and when children can explore books about those topics that interest them. The more they practice with someone’s encouragement, (just like in a sport), the better and more confident readers they will become.

Helping your child develop into a proficient reader is a gift that will last a lifetime. These few, simple strategies and actions during the summer months can make a significant difference in helping your child maintain and extend his/her literacy skills.

- **Read aloud together with your child every day.**
- **Take turns reading. Your child can read books to you, younger siblings, and older siblings.**
- **Read your child’s favorite book over and over again.**
- **Don’t forget to pack a book wherever you go this summer.**
- **Visit the public library regularly and have your child get his/her own library card if he/she doesn’t have one.**

In this handout you will find some suggested book titles for you and your child to enjoy. Please note that these suggestions represent only a small sampling of the many fun, interesting and thought-provoking books to be discovered by your child.

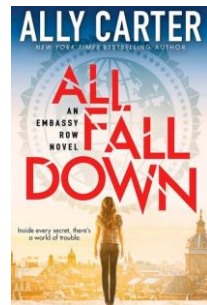
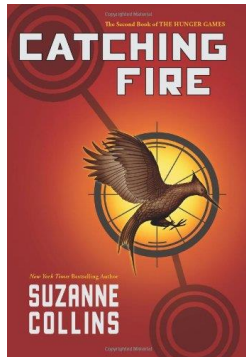
We hope this is the beginning of an enjoyable and enriching summer for your child and you!

**Happy Reading!**

# Popular Middle School Series

## The Hunger Games

series  
by Suzanne Collins

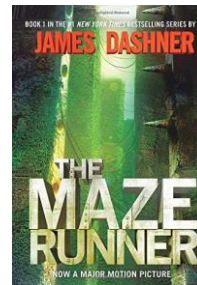


Embassy Row series  
by Ally Carter

Maximum Ride series  
by James Patterson

## The Maze Runner

series  
by James Dashner



## Divergent series

by Veronica Roth



## Percy Jackson series

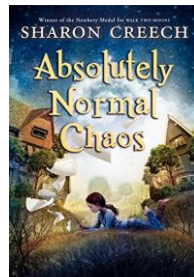
by Rick Riordan

# More Favorites



## Smile/Sisters

by Raina Telgemeier



Absolutely Normal Chaos  
by Sharon Creech

## Freaking

by Lana Krumwiede



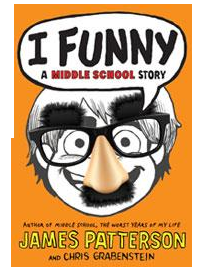
Rain Reign  
by Ann Martin



If You're Reading This  
by Trent Reedy

## Miracle on 49th Street

by Mike Lupica

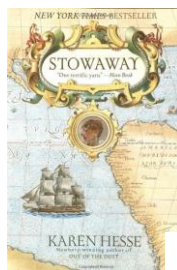
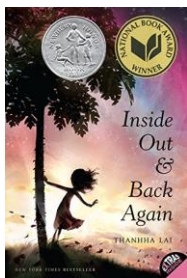


I Funny  
by James Patterson

# Award Winning Books & Authors

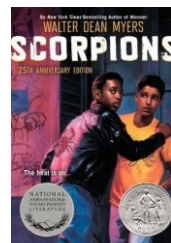
## Inside Out and Back Again

by Thanhha Lai

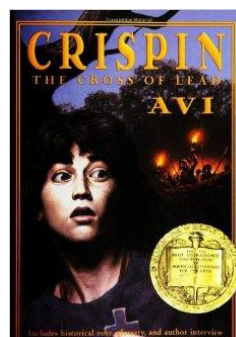


## Stowaway

by Karen Hesse



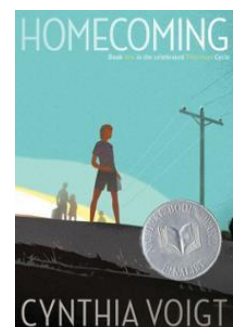
Scorpions  
by Walter Dean Myers



Crispin: The Cross of Lead  
by Avi

## So B. It

by Sarah Weeks



Homecoming  
by Cynthia Voigt

**Students entering Grade 7 are expected to read a minimum of 45 minutes a day.**