

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians:

HCS encourages students to continue reading through the summer months. Students who read during the summer place themselves in a strong position for a successful start to the school year.

SUGGESTED SUMMER READING

HCS suggests all students who will be in the 6th through 8th grades participate in summer reading. As HCS continues to ensure reading is enjoyable and relevant for all learners, the summer reading is diverse and inclusive. Parents and students are encouraged to examine books and reviews in advance, as some of the books may contain mature language and/or content. A suggested reading list has been created to support collaboration when students return to school, while also giving students choice. Students will choose to read **one** book (according to their grade level) from the suggested summer reading list below. All suggested books may be accessed through the Literacy Pro online platform using the attached directions. Hard copies of the suggested books may also be available at the Hampton Public Library. If you would like to purchase a hard copy of the text, some new and used books are available from sites such as <https://www.scholastic.com/> and <https://www.betterworldbooks.com/>. The suggested Summer reading should be completed by September 9, 2024. Students are encouraged to maintain a reading log and choose activities from a [digital choice board](#).

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SUGGESTED SUMMER READING LIST FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL LANGUAGE ARTS

Rising 6th Grade

<i>Endangered</i> by Eliot Schrefer	Fiction	950L
<i>The Cruisers</i> by Walter Dean Myers	Fiction	810L
<i>Super Schnoz and the Invasion of the Snore Snatchers</i> by Gary Urey	Fiction	770L
<i>Rules</i> by Cynthia Lord	Fiction	670L
<i>Double Team</i> by Armar'e Stoudemire	Fiction	560L
<i>Ultimate, Weird but True</i> (Scholastic)	Nonfiction	950L
<i>Black Holes</i> by Ker Than	Nonfiction	940L
<i>World History</i> (Scholastic)	Nonfiction	940L
<i>If I Ran for President</i> by Catherine Stier	Nonfiction	910L

Rising 7th Grade

<i>Tunnels</i> by Brian Williams and Roderick Gordon	Fiction	990L
<i>Cruisers: A Star is Born</i> by Walter Dean Myers	Fiction	810L
<i>Tentacles</i> by Roland Smith	Fiction	740L
<i>Shadow</i> by Ellen Miles	Fiction	680L
<i>Schooled</i> by Amar'e Stoudemire	Fiction	580L
<i>The Space Race</i> by Peter Benoit	Nonfiction	970L
<i>What If You Had Animal Feet</i> by Sandra Markle	Nonfiction	950L
<i>Gymnastics</i> by Christin Ditchfield	Nonfiction	930L
<i>Ultimate Adventure Atlas of the Earth</i> by Rebecca Hirsch and Sally Isaacs	Nonfiction	1000L

Rising 8th Grade

<i>Threatened</i> by Eliot Schrefer	Fiction	910L
<i>Oh Snap!</i> by Walter Dean Myers	Fiction	820L
<i>Manhunt</i> by Kate Messner	Fiction	720L
<i>Slam Dunk</i> by Amar'e Stoudemire	Fiction	640L
<i>Dog Lost</i> by Ingrid Lee	Fiction	570L
<i>Out of the Dust</i> by Karen Hesse	Fiction	1040L
<i>Bad Pets on the Loose</i> by Allan Zullo	Nonfiction	1060L
<i>Peace Warriors</i> by Andrea Davis Pinkney	Nonfiction	1060L
<i>Robotics</i> by Will Mara	Nonfiction	1060L
<i>Myths Busted!</i> by Emily Krieger	Nonfiction	1030L

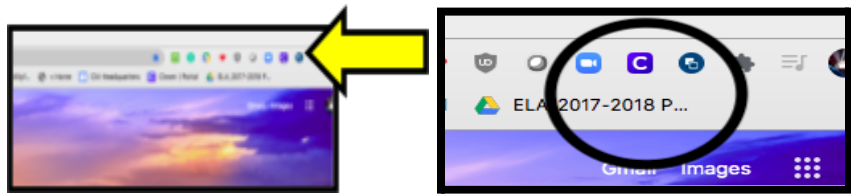
If you have any questions about summer reading, please feel free to contact your child's school or the Hampton City Schools Language Arts Department at 757-727-2485. Have a safe and fun summer!

Sincerely,

Tracie Judd,
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How Students Log Into Literacy Pro

1. Go to your Clever portal.



2. Select “Scholastic.”



3. Select “Literacy Pro.”



4. Select “Search.”



5. Type the title of your book into the search box.



6. Once your book appears, select Read Now.



7. From this screen you can:

- Enlarge or decrease the size of the pages
- Highlight the text
- Take notes
- Move between pages



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