



HRMS Grades 6-8 Summer Reading List 2021

Download the Summer Reading List with Requirements at our Library Web Site:

<http://danverspublicschools.org/holten-richmond/library/>

Click on Summer Reading 2021 ~ center of the page, underneath the join code for the library Classroom

We suggest that parents be involved in helping children select books according to children's interest and age level. Do not hesitate to ask the librarians at the public library. **Multiple copies of books will be available for checkout at the public library. Please note that most of the titles on our list will be available to borrow from other libraries as well. Those copies will be visible in the online catalog. The copies of books owned by HRMS that we send to the public library for the summer will not appear in the catalog, as they will only be available to HRMS students. They will, however, be displayed in the Standing Room, straight ahead when you enter the library on the main floor, where you may check them out.**

*Indicates an easier and/or younger read

++Indicates titles recommended especially for 8th grade

Instructions:

- Students are required to read 3 books during the summer, 2 from this list and 1 “free choice.”
- Choose 2 books from the list of titles below. Complete an assignment this summer on 1 of the 2 you have chosen to read from this list.
- Follow the instructions on the “Summer Reading Requirements” sheet to complete the assignment on 1 of the 2 books you have chosen from this list.
- Your third book, which is your “free choice” book, does *not* need to be chosen from this list. You could get a recommendation from a friend or a librarian at the public library, for example. Or you may check out this third title from the HRMS library; or read one of the ebooks listed below from Junior Library Guild.
- Although you are required to read only 3 books this summer, we encourage you to read as many as you like.

Wise Guys – And Gals

Battle, *Camp Average*, *Double Foul*, *Away Games* (3 book series)

Evans, *Who Let the Gods Out?*

Gibbs, *Belly Up*; *Poached*; *Big Game*; *Panda-monium*; *Lion Down*; *Tyrannosaurus Wrecks*

Harkey, *Sneak Thief*

Lai, *Pie in the Sky*

Magoon, *The Season of Styx Malone*

Quinn, *Ruff vs Fluff*, * *Paws vs Claws*, * *Bark vs Snark**

Sloan, *To Night Owl From Dogfish*

Reality Check

Albus, *A Place to Hang the Moon*

Allen, *The Line Tender*

Barr, *Goodbye, Mr. Spalding*

[Cartaya, *Each Tiny Spark*](#)

Cline-Ransome, *Finding Langston**

Draper, *Blended*

Eager, *Hour of the Bees*

Galante, *Strays Like Us*

Gerber, *Focused*

Gratz: *The Brooklyn Nine: A Novel in Nine Innings*

Gratz, *Code of Honor*++

Hunt, *Shouting at the Rain*

Janowitz, *The Doughnut Fix* and *The Doughnut King*

Johnston, *Beast Rider: A Boy's Journey Beyond the Border*

[Joyce, *Jelly Roll*](#)*

[Kelly, *We Dream of Space*](#)

[Levy, *Fish Out of Water*](#)*

[Maldonado, *What Lane?*](#)*

[Maldonado, *Tight*](#)*

[Marks, *From the Desk of Zoe Washington*](#)

McAnulty, *The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl*

[McCullough, *A Field Guide to Getting Lost*](#)*

[Medina, *Merci Suarez Changes Gears*](#) and sequel *Merci Suarez Can't Dance*

[Messner, *Breakout*](#)

Nesbet, *Cloud and Wallfish*

[Patterson, *Becoming Muhammad Ali*](#)

Rhodes, *Ghost Boys**

Rhodes, *Towers Falling**

Roberts, *Nikki on the Line*

[Saeed, *Amal Unbound*](#)

Salom, *Kyle Finds Her Way*

Schmidt, *Just Like That*

[Stead, *The List of Things That Will Not Change*](#)

[Sumner, *Roll With It*](#)

Swartz, *Smart Cookie**

[Venkatraman, *The Bridge Home*](#)

Woodson, *Harbor Me*

Here There Be Intrigue - Tales of Sleuths, Adventurers, and Masterminds

Del Rio, *Warren the 13th and the All-Seeing Eye*, *Warren the 13th and the Whispering Woods*, *Warren the 13th and the Thirteen-Year Curse*

[Freeman, *Alone*](#)

Goebel, *Fortune Falls**

Kane, *Charlie and Frog*

Larson, *Code Word Courage*

Murphy, *The Disappearances*++

Parry, *A Wolf Called Wander**

Rundell, *The Good Thieves*

[Shelton, *The Secret Room*](#)*

Skrypuch, *Making Bombs for Hitler*++

Strange, *Our Castle by the Sea*

Strange, *The Secret of Nightingale Wood*

Woodfine, *The Clockwork Sparrow*

Speculate - Steampunk, Science Fiction, and Fantasy

Alston, *Amari and the Night Brothers*

[Applegate, *The One and Only Bob*](#)*

Baker, *Over the Woodward Wall*

Bethell, *The Extraordinary Colors of Auden Dare*

[Carey, *This is Not the Jess Show*](#)++

DasGupta, *The Serpent's Secret*, *Game of Stars*, *The Chaos Curse* (3 book series)

[Keller, *When You Trap a Tiger*](#)

LaRocca, *Midsummer's Mayhem*

Larwood, *Podkin One-Ear* and sequel *Gift of Dark Hollow*

Munoz Ryan, *Echo*

[Oppel, *Bloom*](#)++, *Hatch*++, *Thrive*++ (Overthrow series)

Reynolds, *Miles Morales*, *Spider-Man*

[Soontornvat, *A Wish in the Dark*](#)

Taylor, *Malamander*

Townsend, *Nevermoor: The Trials of Morrigan Crow*; *Wundersmith: The Calling of Morrigan Crow*; *Hollowpox: The Hunt for Morrigan Crow*

[White, *Nightbooks*](#)

Zhang, *The Memory of Forgotten Things*

Fun Fact-Finding

Bascomb, *The Racers: How an Outcast Driver, an American Heiress, and a Legendary Car Challenged Hitler's Best*

Edsel, *The Greatest Treasure Hunt in History: The Story of the Monuments Men*

Hopkinson, *Dive!: World War II Stories of Sailors and Submarines in the Pacific*++

Jarrow, *Spooked!: How a Broadcast and The War of the Worlds Sparked the 1938 Invasion of America*

[Kress, *The Puffin Plan: Restoring Seabirds to Egg Rock and Beyond*](#)

[Lowery, *Turning 15 on the Road to Freedom: My Story of the 1965 Selma Voting Rights March*](#)

Mitchell, *The Lady is a Spy: Virginia Hall, World War II Hero of the French Resistance*

[Paquette, *Two Truths and a Lie: It's Alive!*](#)

[Paulsen, *Gone to the Woods*](#)

Rocco, *How We Got to the Moon: The People, Technology, and Daring Feats of Science Behind Humanity's Greatest Adventure*

[Soontornvat, *All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys' Soccer Team*](#)

Waisman, *Boy from Buchenwald: The True Story of a Holocaust Survivor*

[Walker, *Sinking the Sultana: A Civil War Story of Imprisonment, Greed, and a Doomed Journey Home*](#)

Graphic Novels

Broskol, *Be Prepared**

Chmakova, *Awkward, Brave, Crush*

Craft, *New Kid* and *Class Act*

Hale, *Real Friends* and *Best Friends*

[Howard, *The Crossroads at Midnight*++](#)

[Johnson, *Twins**](#)

[Larson, *All Summer Long** and sequel *All Together Now** \(Eagle Rock series\)](#)

Larson, *Goldie Vance Vols. 1, 2, 3, and 4*

[Layne, *Beetle & the Hollowbones*](#)

Libenson, *Just Jaime** and *Becoming Brianna**

Marsden (adapted by), *Anne of Green Gables**

Palacio, *White Bird: A Wonder Story*

Podcasts of Interest

KidNuz <https://www.kidnuz.org/> Five-minute rundowns of weekday news with nonpartisan kid appeal.

Brains On! <https://www.brainson.org/> An award-winning science podcast for kids and curious adults from American Public Media.

Tai Asks Why <https://www.trax.fm/tai-asks-why> Teen host Tai Poole finds experts to tackle kids' questions on a wide range of topics that explore big ideas.

WhoARTed? <https://www.whoartedpodcast.com/> Exploration of artists and art history.

The Punies <https://granitystudios.com/podcast/the-punies/> Musical sports podcast for kids, created by Kobe Bryant.

Ebooks available for the summer for free from Junior Library Guild: Click below for direct access.

<http://jlg.ipublishcentral.com/r?bookshelf=XAi076d9GrRrT3GqtAvKRPgRoVRot%2Fm1L8xOTYZAgsg%3D> Check back occasionally for new titles!

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