Middle School Grades (6th-8th)

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Gr	Title	Author
6	Holes	Louis Sachar
6	On My Honor	Marion Dane Bauer
6	Diary of a Wimpy Kid (Any Title from Series)	Jeff Kinney
6	Call It Courage	Armstrong Sperry
7	Sea of Monsters (Any Title from Series)	Rick Riordan
7	Double Dutch	Sharon Draper
7	The Outsiders	S.E. Hinton
7	Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry	Mildred Taylor
8	Money Hungry	Sharon Flake
8	The Lightning Thief (Any Title from Series)	Rick Riordan
8	Miracle's Boys	Jacqueline Woodson
8	The Giver	Lois Lowery



High School Grades (9th-12th)

Gr	Title	Author
9	I'm Down: A Memoir	Mishna Wolff
9	My Dog Skip	Willie Morris
9	Tears of Tiger	Sharon Draper
9	Speak	Laurie Halse Anderson
10	Honors Eng II (Choose One)	
	Silas Marner Into the Wild	George Elliot John Krakauer
10	Eng II (Choose One) The Road to Memphis The House on Mango Street	Mildred Taylor Sandra Cisneros
11	Honors Eng III The Sun Also Rises	Ernest Hemingway
	A Tree Grows in Brooklyn	Betty Smith
11	Eng III A Tree Grows in Brooklyn	Betty Smith
12	Honors Eng IV (Read Both)	
	The Tempest	William Shakespeare
	Animal Farm	George Orwell
12	AP Eng (Read Both) Wuthering Heights	Emily Bronte
	How to Read Literature Like a Professor	Thomas C. Foster
	(Choose One) The Hobbit Animal Farm Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close	J. R. R. Tolkien George Orwell Jonathan Sanfran Foer
12	Eng IV Animal Farm	George Orwell

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Summer Reading K-12

Amy Carter, Director Office of Curriculum (601) 482-8246 Dear Parents:

Summer is approaching, and I encourage you to take advantage of the opportunity for our students to continue exploring the world through reading!

Research tells us children who do not read during the summer may lose a month or more of the reading progress they made during the school year. It is so important to keep our children engaged in summer reading activities.

Our number one goal is for all students in Meridian Public School District to be able to read at or above grade level. With your help, we can make this goal a reality!

District Expectations:

Inside this brochure are the optional and required reading (bold) lists for each grade level. Students will be asked to complete an Accelerated Reader (A.R. test) in August. No projects will be required this summer; however, teachers may require students to complete a project on the assigned title during the 2011-2012 school year. Additional information can be found on the district's website at www.mpsd.k12.ms.us.

Each student is required to do the following:

- 1. Read at least **two** books during the summer
- In Grades 2-12, completion of an Accelerated Reader (AR) test or a teacher created test for the designated book will count as a test grade for Language Arts/Reading.
- 3. If students have previously read required titles, please select a grade level appropriate title from the Accelerated Reader list.

Where to Find Books:

- Books-A-Million
- Meridian-Lauderdale County Public Library
- Meridian Public School District Parent Resource Center
- www.amazon.com or www.scholasticbooks.com
- www.mpsd.k12.ms.us or public library for the Accelerated Reader List

Thanks for supporting our focus on literacy!

Sincerely, Amy Carter, Executive Director Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment

K-5 Summer Reading List

4 The Giving Tree Shel Silverstein 4 I Wanna Iguana Karen Kaufman Orloff 4 The Boxcar Children Gertrude	Gr	Title	Author
Capucilli	K	The Foot Book	Dr. Seuss
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Elementary Interactive Websites:

www.fcrr.org

http://www.seussville.com/

http://www.kidsdomain.com/kids.html

http://pbskids.org/arthur

http://www.funbrain.com/

http://www.kn.sbc.com/wired/fil/pages/listmsjoyjo.html

http://funschool.kaboose.com

http://www.billybear4kids.com

http://www.progressivephonics.com

Secondary Interactive Websites:

http://jc-schools.net/tutorials/tools/english-hs.html#Interactive

http://classroom.jc-schools.net/basic/la.html

http://www.internet4classrooms.com/lang_mid.htm

http://www.readwritethink.org/materials/graffiti/index.html

http://www.readwritethink.org/materials/plot-diagram/

