



RYE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Students, Parents, and Guardians:

Welcome to the sixth grade! We would like to take an opportunity to introduce you to the Rye Middle School Summer Reading Program. To celebrate the power of literature and to create a stronger middle school community, all students entering sixth grade will be required to read at least two (2) books this summer. The goal of our reading program is to provide both students and teachers an opportunity to discuss literature and to create an atmosphere that will foster lifelong reading.

Students entering Grade 6 may select their own literature for their summer reading. Please adhere to these requirements:

- The books should be on students' "best fit" level.
- The books should be literature the student has not read before.
- The books cannot have been made into a movie or similar production.

We encourage the guidance of a parent or adult family member in the selection of summer reading novels. Literature selections may be either fiction or nonfiction. If students are uncertain about which novel to choose, then please review the titles on the following page that have been suggested by this year's Grade 6 students.

During early September, sixth graders have the opportunity to discuss their summer reading choices in class. Students will showcase understanding of their summer reading novels through group discussions and by completing in-class writing tasks that focus on each novel's content. In order to help students organize the discussions and writing, students should come prepared with a note card for each of the book selections. Notes on the book should be focused on:

- Information on the main character
- Setting
- The main problem of the story
- The solution to the problem

We wish you a summer of happy reading!

Grade 6 Language Arts teachers,

Mike Massett

Leslie Webb

Abby Tuttle

List of Suggested Titles

<i>Greenglass House</i>	by Kate Milford
<i>School for Good and Evil</i>	by Soman Chainani
<i>Rise of Elgen (Michael Vey)</i>	by Richard Paul Evans
<i>The Schwa was Here</i>	by Neal Shusterman
<i>Rain Reign</i>	by Ann Martin
<i>The Graveyard Book</i>	by Neil Gaiman
<i>Gods of Manhattan</i>	by Scott Mebus
<i>Red Umbrella</i>	by Christina Gonzalez
<i>Night Hoops</i>	by Carl Deuker
<i>The Rivalry</i>	by John Feinstein
<i>The Unwanteds Series</i>	by Lisa McCann
<i>The Red Pyramid</i>	by Rick Riordan
<i>The Kingdom Keepers</i>	by Ridley Pearson
<i>Half Brother</i>	by Kenneth Oppel
<i>Because of Mr. Terupt</i>	by Rob Buyea
<i>Doll Bones</i>	by Holly Black
<i>Ms. Bixby's Last Day</i>	by John David Anderson
<i>All Rise for the Honorable Perry T. Cook</i>	by Leslie Connor

The above list is simply to suggest titles. You are allowed read any book you wish as long as it is on your “best fit” level.