

Stafford County Public Schools
2022 Summer Reading Suggestions
compiled by SCPS Middle School Librarians
Escape Into Reading

Sixth Grade

Allies by Alan Gratz
The Ambrose Deception by Emily Ecton
City Spies by James Ponti
City of Ghosts by Victoria Schwab
I am Malala by Malala Yousafzai
Real Friends by Shannon Hale
The Serpent's Secret by Sayantani DasGupta
El Deafo by Cece Bell
A Tale Dark and Grimm by Adam Gidwitz (first in a series)
The Thing About Jellyfish by Ali Benjamin
Track series by Jason Reynolds
Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky by Kwame Mbalia
Ungifted by Gordon Korman
Wishtree by K. A. Applegate



Seventh Grade

The Benefits of Being an Octopus by Ann Braden
Shadow and Bone by Leigh Bardugo
Frozen Charlotte by Alex Bell
I Have No Secrets by Penny Joelson
How to Disappear by Sharon Huss Roat
How We Roll by Natasha Friend
Listen, Slowly by Thanhha Lai
Piecing Me Together by Renee Watson
Skinny by Donna Cooner
The Silence Between Us by Alison Gervais
Slider by Pete Hautman
It's Trevor Noah: Born a Crime Adapted for Young Readers by Trevor Noah
Wolf by Wolf by Ryan Graudin (first in a series)
You Wish by Mandy Hubbard



We encourage you to do lots of reading this summer and to read what interests you. We have enjoyed compiling lists of books we think you will like, but remember – the books on this list are only suggestions. Other ways to find great books are:

- From other grade level lists
- From your school library reading programs
- Books that catch your eye in the bookstore and the library or online
- Books that your friends and family recommend.

Every book on this list is available through Sora either at our schools or through the Central Rappahannock Regional Library (CRRL). Remember - you can get a free library card online to check out books from the CRRL. [Find out how to sign up for a CRRL card and add them to your Sora account here.](#) Happy reading!

Eighth Grade

How We Became Wicked by Alexander Yates
Code of Honor by Alan Gratz
The Cruel Prince by Holly Black (first in a series)
A Curse so Dark and Lonely by Brigid Kemmerer
Darius the Great is Not Okay by Adib Khorram
Dry by Neal Shusterman
Good Enough by Jen Petro-Roy
The Lonely Dead by April Henry
Long Way Down by Jason Reynolds
The Poet X by Elizabeth Acevedo
Skyward by Brandon Sanderson
Magic Fish by Trung Le Nguyen
Truly Devious by Maureen Johnson



SCPS Middle School Battle of the Books 2022-2023

Prisoner B-3087 by Alan Gratz
Long Walk to Water by Linda Sue Park
Red Queen by Victoria Aveyard
Between Shades of Gray by Ruta Sepetys
Counting by 7s by Holly Golberg Sloan
Found by Margaret Peterson Haddix
Iron Trial by Holly Black
Night Divided by Jennifer Nielsen
One for the Murphys by Lynda Mullaly Hunt
Peak by Roland Smith
Rain Reign by Ann Martin
Savvy by Ingrid Law
Ungifted by Gordon Korman
Front Desk by Kelly Yang
Fuzzy by Tom Angleberger

Virginia Readers' Choice 2022-2023

Amari and the Night Brothers by B.B. Alston
Blackbird Girls by Anne Blankman
Black Brother, Black Brother by Jewell Parker Rhodes
The Canyon's Edge by Dusti Bowling
Free Lunch by Rex Ogle
Ground Zero by Alan Gratz
It's the End of the World As I Know It by Matthew Landis
King and the Dragonflies by Kacen Callender
To Night Owl from Dogfish by Holly Goldberg Sloan
When Stars Are Scattered by Victoria Jamieson and Omar Mohamed

