



ICCS Middle School Summer Reading Requirements 2017 7th and 8th grades

Book One is the **Required Book** for all students. Rising 7th and 8th grade students may choose from the following two selections: *Bread and Roses, Too*, By Katherine Patterson; or *Boys in the Boat* (YOUNG Reader's Edition) by Daniel James Brown.

Book one includes an essay component. Further information about the summer reading assignment expectations is included on the attached guidelines. This assignment is due the first day of class. There will also be a short assessment over the reading.

Book Two, also **Required**, students will **CHOOSE** an AR book. This title **MUST** be an AR book. Students will be required to take an AR test over this book the first week we return to school. Rising seventh graders must take a test worth at least 9 points. Rising eighth graders must take a test worth at least 10 points. These tests will be taken at ICCS during the first week of school! You may check the points of a book by going to ARbookfinder.com. REMEMBER- check the points BEFORE you purchase any book!

Book Three, read for pleasure. Students will be **required** to read a book of their choice, appropriate for someone their age, we have a list of 35 age appropriate books selected that the students may choose from. Students **MUST** choose a book from this list. Students will complete the Book Talk Builder Assignment.

Summer reading provides students with the opportunity to learn about themes that will be explored in the coming year as well as to discover the types of books that they enjoy reading for pleasure. We encourage parents to read the books with their child so that students and parents can engage in conversations about their reading together over the summer. Every effort has been made to choose titles for summer reading that will both meet the academic objectives of the school curriculum as well as be appealing to students. Parents who are curious to learn more about titles may seek reviews on sites such as Amazon, Goodreads, or Common Sense Media.

Happy Reading!
Middle School Teachers