CHILDREN’S SCHOOL SUMMER READING LIST
2021-2022 School Year

REQUIRED READING FOR K-5th
The following is a list of the required reading titles for grades K-5: (Suggestion: order these early in the summer from Barnes and Noble, Amazon.com or Hooked on Books). Students are encouraged to read or be read to daily.

GRADE K:
- Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten by Joseph Slate (multiple copies available at Pikes Peak Library District) and Alphabet Under Construction by Denise Fleming
- Suggested Reading - any alphabet books found at PPLD when you search for “alphabet” as a subject

GRADE 1:
- How Rocket Learned to Read by Tad Hills
- Rocket Writes a Story by Tad Hills

GRADE 2:
- The Adventures of Taxi Dog by Debra and Sal Barraca
- Sylvester and the Magic Pebble by William Steig

GRADE 3:
- The Magnificent Makers #1: How to Test a Friendship by Theanne Griffith
- Make a list of the books that you read all summer and bring your list on the first day of class.

GRADE 4:
- Colonial America: An Interactive History Adventure (You Choose: Historical Eras) Paperback
- Beatrice Zinker Upside Down Thinker, by Shelley Johannes

GRADE 5:
- The Fourteenth Goldfish-Believe in the Possible by Jennifer L. Holm
- Please read the book no more than a few weeks before school starts since we will use it to review the story elements of a text. Plus, read one from the Newbery Medal/Honor books or Coretta Scott King
Award Winners. Make a list of the books that you read all summer and bring your list the first day of class.

SUGGESTED BOOK TITLES FOR PREK - 2nd GRADE

- NON FICTION (EXPOSITORY TEXT/INFORMATION BOOKS)
- SERIES

SUGGESTED BOOK TITLES FOR 3rd – 5th GRADE

- FICTION
- FANTASY
- HISTORICAL FICTION AND HISTORY
- BIOGRAPHIES
- ADVENTURE
- MYSTERIES
- OTHER NON-FICTION
- FAVORITE AUTHORS

SUGGESTED BOOK TITLES FOR PREK - 2nd GRADE

- Asch, F. HAPPY BIRTHDAY MOON
- Bang, M. TEN, NINE, EIGHT
- Bellairs, John THE HOUSE WITH A CLOCK IN ITS WALLS
- Briggs Martin, Jacqueline SNOWFLAKE BENTLEY
- Brown, M. W. GOODNIGHT MOON
- Brumbeau, Jeff THE QUILTMAKER’S GIFT
- Carle, Eric A HOUSE FOR HERMIT CRAB
- Carle, Eric THE TINY SEED
- Carle, Eric GROUCHY LADYBUG
- Carle, Eric HAVE YOU SEEN MY CAT?
- Carle, Eric THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR
- Carle, Eric THE VERY BUSY SPIDER
- Christlelow, Eileen FIVE LITTLE MONKEYS JUMPING ON THE BED
- Christlelow, Eileen FIVE LITTLE MONKEYS SITTING IN A TREE
- Cleary, Beverly BEEZUS AND RAMONA
- Clements, Andrew FRINDLE
- Cowley, J. and Melser, J. MRS. WISHY-WASHY
- Degan. Bruce JAMBERRY
- Ehlert, L. FISH EYES
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<td>BUTTERFLY EYES AND OTHER SECRETS OF THE MEADOW</td>
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NON FICTION (EXPOSITORY TEXT/INFORMATION BOOKS)

- Cannon, Janell *VERDI*
- Ehler, L. *PLANTING A RAINBOW*
- Greenberg, David T. *BUGS*
- Jeunesse, Gallimard. & de Bourgoing, Pascal. *THE EGG* (A First Discovery Book)
- Jordan, H. J. L. Krupinski, illustrator) *HOW A SEED GROWS*
- Machotka, Hana *WHAT NEAT FEET!*
- Monson, A. M. *WANTED: BEST FRIEND*
- Royston, A. *EYE OPENERS: INSECTS AND CRAWLY CREATURES*

SERIES

- Adler, David A. *CAM JANSEN MYSTERIES*
- Brown, Marc *ARTHUR SERIES*
- Cole, Joanna *THE MAGIC SCHOOL BUS*
- Delton, Judy *PEE WEE SCOUTS*
- DiCamillo, Kate *MERCY WATSON*
- Giff, Patricia Reilly *THE KIDS OF POLK STREET SCHOOL*
- Hoban, Lillian *ARTHUR SERIES*
- Hurley, William *J. DAN FRONTIER*
- Lobel, Arnold *FROG AND TOAD*
- Osborne, Mary Pope *MAGIC TREEHOUSE*
- Parish, Peggy *AMELIA BEDELLIA*
- Parks, Barbara *JUNIE B. JONES*
- Rylant, Cynthia *HENRY AND MUDGE*
- Sharmat, Marjorie Weinman *NATE THE GREAT MYSTERIES*
- Sobel, D. *ENCYCLOPEDIA BROWN*
- Warner, Gertrude Chandler *BOXCAR CHILDREN*
- Yolen, Jane & Teague, M. *HOW DO DINOSAURS...*

SUGGESTED BOOK TITLES FOR 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> GRADE

FICTION

- Barron, Tom A. *THE ANCIENT ONE*
- Barron, Tom A. *HEARLIGHT*
- Duffey, Betsy *THE MATH WIZ*
- *+ Eckert, *INCIDENT AT HAWK’S HILL*
- Fleischman, Sid *JIM UGLY*
- Fleischman, Sid *THE WHIPPING BOY*
- *Hermes, Patricia MAMA, LET’S DANCE*
- *Lowry, Lois ANASTASIA AT THIS ADDRESS*
- Morey, Walt *GENTLE BEN*
- *Paterson, Katherine BRIDGE TO TERABITHIA*
- *Rawls, Wilson WHERE THE RED FERN GROWS*
- *Reynolds, Phyllis Naylor SHILOH*
- Ruckman, Ivy *NIGHT OF THE TWisters*
- *Rylant, Cynthia MISSING MAY*
- *Sewell, Ann BLACK BEAUTY*
- Steig, William *ABEL’S ISLAND*
- Stolz, Mary *THE NOONDAY FRIENDS*

**FANTASY**

- *Banks, Lynne Reid THE INDIAN IN THE CUPBOARD*
- Banks, Lynne Reid *THE RETURN OF THE INDIAN*  
- Banks, Lynne Reid *THE SECRET OF THE INDIAN*  
- Banks, Lynne Reid *THE MYSTERY OF THE CUPBOARD*  
- Bond, Nancy *A STRING IN THE HARP*  
- Conly, Jane Leslie *R-T, MARGARET, AND THE RATS OF NIMH*  
- Conly, Jane Leslie *RASCO AND THE RATS OF NIMH*  
- Cooper, Susan *THE DARK IS RISING*  
- Cooper, Susan *GREENWITCH*  
- Cooper, Susan *THE GREY KING*  
- Cooper, Susan *SILVER ON THE TREE*  
- *Coville, Bruce JENNIFER MURDLEY’S TOAD*  
- *Coville, Bruce JEREMY THATCHER, DRAGON HATCHER*  
- Coville, Bruce *SPACE BRAT*  
- + Jacques, Brian *REDWALL*  
- Jacques, Brian *MOSSFLOWER*  
- Jacques, Brian *MATTIMEO*  
- *Jacques, Brian MARIEL OF REDWALL*  
- *L’Engle, Madeleine A WIND IN THE DOOR*  
- L’Engle, Madeleine *A SWIFTLY TILTING PLANET*  
- L’Engle, Madeleine *MANY WATERS*  
- *Lewis, C.S. THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA*  
- *O’Brien, Robert MRS. FRISBY AND THE RATS OF NIMH*  
- Peterson, John *THE LITTLES* (series)
Selden, George *A Cricket in Times Square*
Smith, Dick King *Martin’s Mice*
+ Smith, Dick King *Pigs Might Fly*
+ Winthrop, Elizabeth *Castle in the Attic*
+ Winthrop, Elizabeth *The Battle for the Castle*

**Historical Fiction and History**

- Cox, Clinton *Undying Glory*
* Levitin, Sonia *Journey to America*
+ Lois, Lowry *Number the Stars*
* MacLachlan, Patricia *Sarah, Plain and Tall*
+ Morpurgo, Michael *Waiting for Anya*
Nixon, Joan Lowery *The Orphan Train Quartet*
Nixon, Joan Lowery *A Family Apart*
Nixon, Joan Lowery *Caught in the Act*
Nixon, Joan Lowery *In the Face of Dancer*
Nixon, Joan Lowery *A Place to Belong*
O’Dell, Scott and Elizabeth Hall *Thunder Rolling in the Mountains*
+ Reeder, Carolyn *Shades of Gray*
Spencer, Philip *Day of Glory, the Guns at Lexington and Concord*
+ Taylor, Mildred *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*
* Taylor, Mildred *Let the Circle Be Unbroken*
* Taylor, Mildred *Road to Memphis*
+ Wilder, Laura Ingalls *Little House in the Big Woods* and others in the series
* Yolen, Jane *The Devil’s Arithmetic*

**Biographies**

- Asimov, Isaac *Breakthroughs in Science*
* Chang, Ina *A Separate Battle, Women and the Civil War*
* Cadye, Corinn *Vilma Martinez*
Denenberg, Barry *Nelson Mandela*
Freedman, Russell *Franklin Delano Roosevelt*
* Fritz, Jean *The Double Life of Pocahontas*
* Fritz, Jean *Homesick, My Own Story*
Fritz, Jean *The Great Little Madison* and others
* Giblin, Edith Wilson: *The Woman Who Ran the United States*
* Glassman, Bruce *Wilma Mankiller*
* Johnson, Johanna *They Led the Way - 14 American Women*
* Meltzer, Milton  * DOROTHEA LANCE: LIFE THROUGH THE CAMERA
* Murphy, Jim  * THE BOYS’ WAR
* Parks, Rosa  * ROSA PARKS: MY STORY
* Rappaport, Doreen  * LIVING DANGEROUSLY, AMERICAN WOMEN WHO RISKED THEIR LIVES FOR ADVENTURE

**ADVENTURE**
- Razzi, Jim  * CUSTER AND CRAZY HORSE
- Sanderson, Jeannette  * DOG TO THE RESCUE - 17 TRUE TALES OF DOG HEROISM
- * Shura, Mary Frances  * GENTLE ANNIE: THE TRUE STORY OF A CIVIL WAR NURSE
- White, Gardiner Sarah  * LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON: BASEBALL’S MAJOR LEAGUE FAMILIES

**MYSTERIES**
- Bellairs, John  * THE HOUSE WITH A CLOCK IN ITS WALLS
- Byars, Betsy  * THE COMPUTER NUT
- * Fitzhugh, HARRIET, THE SPY
- Fox, Paula  * THE ONE-EYED CAT
- Henkes, Kevin  * WORDS OF STONE
- Konigsburg, E. L.  * FROM THE MIXED-UP FILES OF MRS. BASIL E. FRANKWEILER
- Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds  * FACES IN THE WATER
- Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds  * FOOTPRINTS AT THE WINDOW
- Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds  * SHADOWS ON THE WALL
- Sharmat, Marjorie W.  * MYSTERIOUSLY YOURS, MAGGIE MARMELSTEIN
- Showell, Ellen  * THE TRICKSTER GHOST
- Simon, Seymour  * EINSTEIN ANDERSON, SCIENCE SLEUTH
- Snyder, Zilpha Keatley  * THE EGYPT GAME
- Warner, Gertrude  * BOXCAR CHILDREN SERIES: AN AMERICAN GIRL SERIES

**OTHER NON-FICTION**
- Baker, Lucy  * LIFE IN THE OCEANS*
- Baker, Lucy  * LIFE IN THE RAINFOREST*
- Baker, Lucy  * LIFE IN THE DESERTS*
- Byles, Monica  * LIFE IN THE POLAR LANDS*
- Cole, Joanna  * THE MAGIC SCHOOL BUS INSIDE THE EARTH*
- Cole, Joanna  * THE MAGIC SCHOOL BUS INSIDE THE HUMAN BODY*
Cole, Joanna *THE MAGIC SCHOOL BUS AT THE WATERWORKS*
Cole, Joanna *THE MAGIC SCHOOL BUS LOST IN THE SOLAR SYSTEM*
Conrad, Pam *PRAIRIE VISIONS*
Dewan, T and S. Parker *INSIDE THE WHALE*
Freedman, Russell *THE WRIGHT BROTHERS*
Freedman, Russell *CHILDREN OF THE WILD WEST*
Freedman, Russell *BUFFALO HUNT*
Freedman, Russell *LINCOLN, A PHOTOBIOGRAPHY*
Freedman, Russell *IMMIGRANT KIDS*
Kaner, Etta *SOUND SCIENCE*
Kaner, Etta *BALLOON SCIENCE*
Myers, Walter Dean *NOW IS YOUR TIME*
Sullivan, George *HOW THE WHITE HOUSE REALLY WORK*

**FAVORITE AUTHORS**

- *Blume, Judy* *BLUBBER*
- Blume, Judy *TALES OF A FOURTH GRADE NOTHING*
- Blume, Judy *SUPERFUDGE*
- Blume, Judy *FUDGE-A-MANIA*
- Blume, Judy *OTHERWISE KNOWN AS SHEILA THE GREAT*
- Blume, Judy *FRECKLE JUICE*
- *Byars, Betsy* *THE PINBALLS*
- Byars, Betsy *THE MIDNIGHT FOX*
- Byars, Betsy *WANTED...MUD BLOSSOMS*
- *Cleary, Beverly* *DEAR MR. HENSHAW*
- Cleary, Beverly *STRIDER* (sequel)
- *Cleary, Beverly* *RAMONA* (series)
- Cleary, Beverly *SOCKS*
- Cleary, Beverly *RUNAWAY RALPH*
- Cleary, Beverly *RALPH S. MOUSE*
- Cleary, Beverly *HENRY AND THE CLUBHOUSE*
- *Dahl, Roald* *THE BFG*
- *Dahl, Roald* *MATILDA*
- *Dahl, Roald* *FANTASTIC MR. FOX*
- Dahl, Roald *THE TWITS*
- Dahl, Roald *ESIO TROT*
- Dahl, Roald *JAMES AND THE GIANT PEACH*
- Danziger, Paula *EARTH TO MATTHEW*
- Danziger, Paula *THE CAT ATE MY JUMPSUIT*
- Danziger, Paula *EVERYONE ELSE’S PARENTS SAID YES*
- Giff, Patricia *FISH FACE*
- Giff, Patricia *SNAGGLE DOODLES*
- Giff, Patricia *PURPLE CLIMBING DAYS*
- Henry, Marguerite *KING OF THE WIND*
- Henry, Marguerite *BRIGHTY OF GRAND CANYON*
- Henry, Marguerite *MISTY OF CHINCOTEAGUE*
- + Howe, James *BUNNICULA*
- Howe, James *HOWLIDAY INN*
- Howe, James *THE CELERY STALKS AT MIDNIGHT*
- + Paulsen, Gary *THE RIVER*
- + Paulsen, Gary *THE HAYMEADOW*
- Rockwell, Thomas *HOW TO EAT FRIED WORMS*
- Rockwell, Thomas *HOW TO GET FABULOUSLY RICH*
- + Sachar, Louis *THE BOY WHO LOST HIS FACE*
- + Sachar, Louis *THERE’S A BOY IN THE GIRLS’ BATHROOM*
- + Sachar, Louis *WAYSIDE SCHOOL IS FALLING DOWN*
- + Spinelli, Jerry *MANIAC MAGEE*
- *Spinelli, Jerry *THERE’S A GIRL IN MY HAMMERLOCK*
- Spinelli, Jerry *PICKLEMANIA*
- Spinelli, Jerry *FOURTH GRADE RATE*

- * = Books with strong female characters
- + = Books recommended by students
- Suggested online reference for leveled books- www.hedgehogbooks.com