

**HAWTHORNE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
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Dear Students/Parents/Guardians,

A core belief of our district is to “provide a safe and challenging learning environment that will develop a love of learning and enable every child to reach their full potential.” As the Language Arts Department developed a vision for summer reading, this statement laid the groundwork for our discussions and decisions. As a result, we have developed a summer reading initiative that is both student-centered and choice-based.

Students entering grades 6-8 will be required to select and read at least one book from a curated list. This book list was developed in connection with the first unit of study for each grade level.

The Hawthorne Public Library will post the reading list and create a display of these books to support our summer reading initiatives. When students return to school in September, all language arts teachers will devote the first two weeks of school to creating opportunities for students to share (through dialogue, choice board projects, book talks, etc.) what they have read. It is recommended that students choose a means of recording their thoughts and reactions while reading.

If you have any questions regarding the summer reading requirement or have any difficulty accessing a book, please contact Dr. Chopra at 973-427-1300 x 2512 or Mrs. Devor at 973-423-6460 x 2506.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation and support.

Sincerely,

Kanika Chopra

Lincoln Middle School Summer Reading Assignment 2022

All students are expected to choose a minimum of one grade level book from the summer reading list.

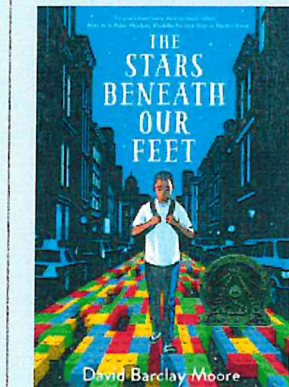
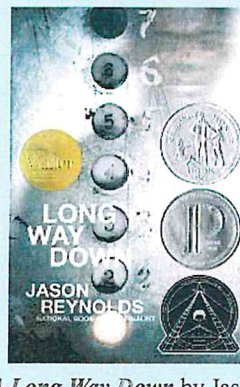
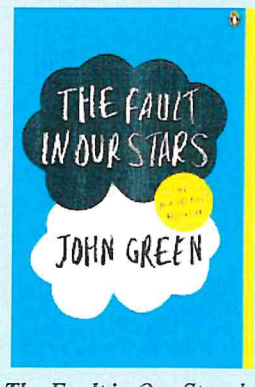
Grade 6 - Unit 1 "Understanding"

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|  <p><i>Wishtree</i> by Katherine Applegate</p> |  <p><i>I Will Always Write Back</i> by Martin Ganda / Caitlin Alifirenka</p> |  <p><i>Ungifted</i> by Gordon Korman</p> |  <p><i>Save Me a Seat</i> by Gita Varadarajan and Sarah Weeks</p> |  <p><i>Because of Mr. Terrupt</i> by Rob Buyea</p> |
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Grade 7: Unit 1 "Overcoming Struggle"

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|  <p><i>Hush</i> by Jacqueline Woodson</p> |  <p><i>Among the Impostors</i> by Margaret Peterson Haddix</p> |  <p><i>Journey To Topaz</i> by Yoshiko Uchida</p> |  <p><i>Out of my Mind</i> by Sharon M. Drape</p> |  <p><i>Posted</i> by John David Anderson</p> |
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Grade 8: Unit 1 "Narrative Writing/Mentor Texts"

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|  <p><i>Bad Boy</i> by Walter Dean Myers</p> |  <p><i>The Stars Beneath Our Feet</i> by David Barclay Moore</p> |  <p><i>A Long Way Down</i> by Jason Reynolds</p> |  <p><i>The Fault in Our Stars</i> by John Green</p> |
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