

DUVAL COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SUMMER RECOMMENDED READING LIST

Grades 6-8th

BOOK TITLE	AUTHOR	GENRE	Grade/ Ages	LEXILE
50 Simple Things Kids Can Do to Recycle	Earthworks group	Non-Fiction	Ages: 7 to 17	850L
A Life in the Wild: George Schaller's Struggle to Save the Last Great Beasts	Pamela S. Turner	Biography	Grades 6 - 8	N/A
Airball: My Life in Briefs	Lisa Harkrader	Fiction	Ages: 8 to 12	700L
All the Lovely Bad Ones	Mary Downing Hahn	Fiction	Ages: 9 to 12	670L
An American Plague: The True and Terrifying Story of the Yellow Fever, Epidemic of 1793	Jim Murphy	Fiction	Ages: 10 to 14	1130L
Artemis Fowl: the Arctic Incident	Eoin Colfer	Non-Fiction	9-14 years	N/A
Bridge to Terabithia	Katherine Paterson	Fiction	Grade 6	810L
Carver, a Life in Poems	Marilyn Nelson	Poetry	Ages: 12 and up	N/A
Diamonds in the Shadow	Carolyn Cooney	Fiction	Ages: 12 to 17	750L
Dragon Slippers	Jessica Day George	Fiction	Ages: 9 to 12	850L
Earth-Friendly Crafts for Kids: 50 Awesome Things to Make with Recycled Stuff	Heather Smith	Arts and Crafts	Grades 6-8	N/A
Esperanza Rising	Pam Munoz Ryan	Fiction	Grade 6 9 to 14	750L
Fire From the Rock	Sharon Draper	Fiction	Ages: 9 to 12	830L
First Light	Rebecca Stead	Fiction	Ages: 9 to 12	760L
Gabriel's Horses	Alison Hart	Fiction	Ages: 8 to 12	730L



Go Big or Go Home	Will Hobbs	Fiction	Ages: 10 and up	700L
Hattie, Big Sky	Kirby Larson	Fiction	Grades 6 -8	700L
Hoot	Carl Hiaasen	Fiction	Grade 7 Ages: 10 and up	760L
Hot, Sour, Salty, Sweet,	Sherri L. Smith	Fiction	Ages: 12 and up	660L
Into the Wild	Sarah Beth Durst	Fiction	Ages: 9 to 11	N/A
Savvy	Ingrid Law	Fiction	Ages: 9 to 11	1070L
Schooled	Gordon Korman	Fiction	Ages: 8 to 12	740L
The Anybodies	N.E. Bode	Fiction	Ages: 10 to 13	730L
The Graveyard Book	Dave McKean	Fiction	Grade 6-8	820L
The Life Cycle of Everyday Stuff	Mike Reeske and Shirley Watt Ireton	Nonfiction	Grade 8	N/A
The Lightning Thief	Rick Riordan	Fiction	Ages: 10 to 14	740L
The Man Who Went to the Far Side of the Moon: The Story of Apollo 11 Astronaut Michael Collins	Bea Uusma Schyffert	Nonfiction	Grade 4-7	N/A
The Misadventures of Maude March	Audrey Couloumbis	Fiction	Ages: 10 to 14	810L
The Surrender Tree: Poem's of Cuba's Struggle for Freedom	Margarita Engle	Poetry	Grades 6-8	N/A
The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle	Avi	Fiction	Grades 6-8	740L
The Wednesday Wars	Gary D. Schmidt	Fiction	Ages: 10 to 14	990L
The Wright Sister: Katharine Wright and Her Famous Brothers	Richard Maurer	Biography	Grades 5 to 9	N/A
The Young Man and the Sea	Rodman Philbrick	Fiction	Grades 6-8	800L
Twelve Rounds to Glory: The Story of Mohammed Ali	Charles R. Smith	Nonfiction- picture	10 and up	N/A



When the Wolves Returned: Restoring Nature's Balance in Yellowstone	Dorothy Hinshaw Patent	Nonfiction	Grades 6-8	N/A
Where the Red Fern Grows	Wilson Rawls	Fiction	8-12 years	700L
Wing Nut	Mary Jane Auch	Fiction	Ages 12 years	740L