

2017 MJS Summer Reading Suggestions



We made it to summer 2017! I hope you have a wonderful vacation relaxing with friends and family, learning interesting things and visiting both new and familiar places. I look forward to summer every year because I get to spend more time with my children and I can tackle my never ending reading list. My first title? **Ashes** by Laurie Halse Anderson. It's the third book in the *Seeds of America* series. Put a book in your bag and commit to reading at least 20 minutes a day. Watch what happens! You will create a reading revolution. Incoming sixth graders don't have required reading, which means you can read what you love or be adventurous and try friends' suggestions. Seventh and eighth graders each have one required read. Below is a short list of different titles that you may want to try, as well as this year's award winners. Need help? Don't be afraid to stop at the Whippanong Library. They can offer suggestions and they have tons of awesome events scheduled for the summer. Check it out at <http://www.whippanong.org/events/teen-events/>. Fill

out the attached reading log and drop it off to the IMC in the first few days of school. I look forward to seeing everyone in September. And remember kindness is contagious, so be good to one another this summer!

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Sports

*Ghost...*Jason Reynolds

*Rising Above: How 11 Athletes Overcame Challenges in Their Youth to Become Stars...*Gregory Zuckerman

*I Got This: To Gold and Beyond...*Laurie Hernandez

*Breakaway...*Alex Morgan

*Believe, The Victorious Story of Eric LeGrand...*Eric LeGrand

*The Contract, Hit & Miss, Fair Ball, Change Up...*Derek Jeter

Realistic Fiction

Try these authors:

Wendy Mass

Mike Lupica

RJ Palacio

Sarah Dessen

Cynthia Lord

Rob Buyea

Gary Paulsen

Historical Fiction

*Wolf Hollow...*Lauren Wolk

*Chains, Forge, and Ashes...*Laurie Halse Anderson

*The War that Saved My Life...*Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

*Raymie Nightingale...*Kate DiCamillo

*Making Bombs for Hitler...*Marsha Forchuk Skrypuch

This year's award winners...

<p>National Book Award for Young People</p> <p>March: Book Three</p> <p>By John Lewis, Nate Powell, and Andrew Aydin</p>	<p>Sid Fleischman Award for Humor</p> <p>Welcome to Wonderland: Home Sweet Motel</p> <p>By Chris Grabenstein</p>	<p>YALSA Award for National Excellence in Nonfiction for Young Adults</p> <p>March: Book Three</p> <p>By John Lewis, Nate Powell, and Andrew Aydin</p>	<p>Coretta Scott King Book Award</p> <p>March: Book Three</p> <p>By John Lewis, Nate Powell, and Andrew Aydin</p>	<p>Scott O'Dell Award for Historical Fiction</p> <p>Full of Beans</p> <p>By Jennifer Holm</p>	<p>Schneider Family Book Award for Expression of the Disability</p> <p>as brave as you</p> <p>By Jason Reynolds</p>
<p>Edgar Award for Juvenile Mystery</p> <p>OCDaniel</p> <p>By Wesley King</p>	<p>Edgar Award for Young Adult Mystery (8th and up)</p> <p>Girl in the Blue Coat</p> <p>By Monica Hesse</p>	<p>Golden Kite Award for Middle Grade Fiction</p> <p>The Haunting of Falcon House</p> <p>By Eugene Yelchin</p>	<p>Newbery Award</p> <p>The Girl Who Drank the Moon</p> <p>By Kelly Barnhill</p>	<p>22nd Annual Garden State Teen Book Award for Fiction (grades 6-8)</p> <p>The Crossover</p> <p>By Kwame Alexander</p>	<p>22nd Annual Garden State Teen Book Award for Nonfiction</p> <p>Percy Jackson's Greek Gods</p> <p>By Rick Riordan and John Rocco</p>

Fantasy and Science Fiction

Magnus Chase and Trials of Apollo series...Rick Riordan
The Hunger Games series...Suzanne Collins
The City of Ember series...Jeanne DuPrau
The Mortal Instruments series...Cassandra Clare
The Land of Stories series...Chris Colfer
Divergent series...Veronica Roth
Virals series...Kathy Reichs
Grimm series...Adam Gidwitz

