

## Summer Reading 2022 Book List

Choose 1 book from the following 2022 incoming 8th graders summer reading. Reflect on your reading by writing sticky note annotations (10 minimum, from different parts of the book). Bring your completed book & sticky notes to school at the beginning of the year. \*\*\*You may read more than one book if you wish, but you only need to write annotations for one of the books. We want you to have fun reading!\*\*\*

TITLE	AUTHOR	GENRE	SYNOPSIS
<b><i>Notes from the Midnight Driver</i></b> ISBN-13 : 978-0439757812	Jordan Sonnenblick	Realistic Fiction	Just when you thought you had it all figured out . . .  "Alex Peter Gregory, you are a moron!" Laurie slammed her palms down on my desk and stomped her foot. I get a lot of that. One car crash. One measly little car crash. And suddenly, I'm some kind of convicted felon. My parents are getting divorced, my dad is shacking up with my third-grade teacher, I might be in love with a girl who could kill me with one finger, and now I'm sentenced to babysit some insane old guy. What else could possibly go wrong? This is the story of Alex Gregory, his guitar, his best gal pal Laurie, and the friendship of a lifetime that he never would have expected.
<b><i>They Both Die at the End</i></b> ISBN-13 : 978-0062457806	Adam Silvera	Fantasy	On September 5, a little after midnight, Death-Cast calls Mateo Torrez and Rufus Emeterio to give them some bad news: They're going to die today. Mateo and Rufus are total strangers, but, for different reasons, they're both looking to make a new friend on their End Day. The good news: There's an app for that. It's called the Last Friend, and through it, Rufus and Mateo are about to meet up for one last great adventure—to live a lifetime in a single day.
<b><i>Divergent</i></b> ISBN-13 : 978-0063040519	Veronica Roth	Science Fiction	Taking place in a futuristic Chicago in which society is divided into five factions, Divergent is the gripping story of a dystopian world transformed by courage, self-sacrifice, and love.
<b><i>Dear Martin</i></b> ISBN-13 :	Nic Stone	Realistic Fiction	Justyce McAllister is a good kid, an honor student, and always there to help a friend—but none of that matters to the police officer who just put him in handcuffs.

978-1101939 529			Justyce looks to the teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. for answers. But do they hold up anymore? He starts a journal to Dr. King to find out.
<b>Dear Evan Hansen: The Novel</b> ISBN-13 : 978-0241361 887	Val Emmich	Realistic Fiction	<i>Dear Evan Hansen, Today's going to be an amazing day and here's why...</i> When a letter that was never meant to be seen draws high school senior Evan Hansen into the Murphy family's grief over the loss of their son, he is given the chance of a lifetime: <i>to belong</i> . He just has to stick to a lie he never meant to tell. A simple lie leads to complicated truths in this big-hearted coming-of-age story of grief, authenticity and the struggle to belong in an age of instant connectivity and profound isolation.
<b>The Book Thief</b> ISBN-13 : 978-0375842 207	Markus Zusak	Historical Fiction	When Death has a story to tell, you listen. It is 1939. Nazi Germany. The country is holding its breath. Death has never been busier, and will become busier still. Liesel Meminger is a foster girl living outside of Munich, who scratches out a meager existence for herself by stealing when she encounters something she can't resist—books. With the help of her accordion-playing foster father, she learns to read and shares her stolen books with her neighbors during bombing raids as well as with the Jewish man hidden in her basement.  In superbly crafted writing that burns with intensity, award-winning author Markus Zusak, author of <i>I Am the Messenger</i> , has given us one of the most enduring stories of our time.
<b>Salt to the Sea</b> ISBN-13 : 978-0142423 622	Ruta Sepetys	Historical Fiction	Winter 1945. WWII. Four refugees. Four stories. Each one born of a different homeland; each one hunted, and haunted, by tragedy, lies, war. As thousands desperately flock to the coast in the midst of a Soviet advance, four paths converge, vying for passage aboard the Wilhelm Gustloff, a ship that promises safety and freedom. But not all promises can be kept . . .
<b>The War Outside</b> ISBN-13 : 978-0316316 712	Monica Hesse	Historical Fiction	It's 1944, and World War II is raging across Europe and the Pacific. The war seemed far away from Margot in Iowa and Haruko in Colorado—until they were uprooted to dusty Texas, all because of the places their parents once called home: Germany and Japan. Haruko and Margot meet at a "family internment camp." The teens discover that they are polar opposites in so many ways, except for one that seems to override all the others: the camp is changing them, day by day and piece by piece.

			With everything around them falling apart, Margot and Haruko find solace in their growing, secret friendship. But in a prison the government has deemed full of spies, can they trust anyone--even each other?
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