

Summer Reading List

For Incoming 7th Graders – Hal Peterson Middle School

ALL students are required to read **one** book off this list during the summer before 7th grade. Students will complete a **“ONE-PAGER”** for that book and have it ready on the first day of school. Students will complete assignments and projects related to their summer reading the first two weeks of school.

****HORIZONS** Reading students will also find a second text (another book, newspaper/magazine article, poem, etc.) that is related to their summer reading book in some way. **

Book Options:

- Check out from HPMS (school property)
- Check out from the public library (paper or electronic version)
- Borrow from a friend/family member
- Buy your own copy (paper or electronic version)

Details

- **Check out** a book from 7th grade teachers the last week of school at BT Wilson OR come to HPMS to check out.
- **Return** books during summer hours to HPMS OR at schedule pick up OR the first day of school.
- **Reading Workshop** and **open library** days available at HPMS this summer. (see website/KISD app for times)
- **Middle School Book Club** dates at the Butt-Holdsworth Public library to get help with

Realistic Fiction	HPMS copies
<i>Bearstone</i> by Will Hobbs – Cloyd, a Native American orphan, is sent to work on an old man’s ranch in the mountains of Colorado where he learns about his heritage and about himself. (154 pages)	23
<i>Hatchet</i> by Gary Paulsen - Brian Robeson is stranded in the Canadian wilderness y himself when the small plane he was riding crash lands in a lake. (181 pages)	32
<i>Tangerine</i> by Edward Bloor - Paul Fisher tries to fit in to his new hometown and also tries to figure out the weirdness of the town and his family’s hidden secrets. (303 pages)	20
<i>Rio Grande Stories</i> by Carolyn Meyer – The 7 th grade students of Rio Grande Middle School contribute stories, recipes, and traditions from their own Native American, Hispanic, African-American, and Anglo cultures. (245 pages)	20
<i>The Schwa was Here</i> by Neal Shusterman – Calvin Schwa is the kid that nobody ever notices, until Antsy Bonano decides to befriend (and possibly make money off of) the “invisible” boy. (228 pages)	26
<i>Walk Two Moons</i> by Sharon Creech – Sal entertains her grandparents with the strange story of her friend Phoebe, but she also delves into her past and unfolds her own story. (280 pages)	21

Science Fiction	HPMS copies
<i>Among the Hidden</i> by Margaret Peterson Haddix - Luke is a forbidden third child that must stay hidden from the government. His life changes though when he happens to meet another third child who wants to overturn the system. (153 pages)	74
<i>Steelheart</i> by Brandon Sanderson - David’s one mission in life is to kill the Epic named Steelheart who has the power to turn anything into steel and is indestructible. (384 pages)	13
<i>The Selection</i> by Kiera Cass – In a future where everyone lives in a caste system, America Singer takes the only chance a lowly 7 has of improving her life – winning The Selection to be Prince Maxon’s bride. (327 pages)	28

<i>This Place Has No Atmosphere</i> by Paula Danziger – Aurora lives in the year 2057 and has the perfect life...until her parents decide to relocate the family to the moon. Her life is <i>ruined!</i> (156 pages)	32
*<i>I Become Shadow</i> by Joe Shine – Ren is abducted at age 14 and survives years of torture, training, and misery to become a Shadow – protector and guardian of the world’s future leaders.	0

Fantasy Fiction	HPMS copies
<i>Wolf by Wolf</i> by Ryan Gaudin - It’s 1956 and Hitler rules the world. Yael, a Jewish skinshifter is recruited to impersonate to win the annual motorcycle race and assassinate Hitler. (379 pages)	8
<i>The Once and Future King</i> by T.H. White - Once upon a time, a young boy called “Wart” was tutored by a magician named Merlyn in preparation for a future as the renowned King Arthur of the Britons. (639 pages)	33
<i>A Wizard of Earthsea</i> by Ursula K. LeGuin - This is the tale Ged’s testing and how he became the most powerful sorcerer in Earthsea. (183 pages)	24
<i>The Iron Ring</i> by Lloyd Alexander - Driven by his sense of "dharma," or honor, young King Tamar sets off on a perilous journey, with a significance greater than he can imagine, during which he meets talking animals, villainous and noble kings, demons, and the love of his life. (280 pages)	31
*<i>The Iron Trial</i> by Holly Black and Cassandra Clare - All his life, Call has been warned by his father to stay away from magic. As he tries to fail at the Iron Trial and avoid admission into the Magisterium, fails at failing and must face even more dangerous tests.	0

Historical Fiction	HPMS copies
<i>A Night Divided</i> by Jennifer A. Nielsen - Gerta works to find a way to reunite her family divided by the Berlin wall, while being spied on by friends and neighbors. (317 pages)	16
<i>Girl in a Cage</i> by Jane Yolen – Marjorie, a princess of Scotland is captured and imprisoned in a wooden cage in the center of a town square, exposed to wind, rain, the taunts of the townspeople, and the scorn of the evil King of England. (234 pages)	27
<i>Out of the Dust</i> by Karen Hesse - Billie Jo and her father struggle to survive and overcome their past tragedies during the Dustbowl in Oklahoma. (227 pages)	21
<i>The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle</i> by Avi – Charlotte tells her tale of the ocean voyage in which she is accused of murder, brought to trial, and found guilty. (225 pages)	21
<i>Codetalker</i> by Joseph Brusac - Ned Begay is one of the Navajo tribe recruited by the Marine Corps during the Vietnam War to create and use a radio code based on their language that is unbreakable. (214 pages)	23
*<i>Riding Freedom</i> by Pam Munoz Ryan – Charlotte, raised in an orphanage for boys dreams of working and training horses on her own ranch one day, but finds that 1800’s society has different ideals for young ladies.	0

Non-Fiction/Memoir	HPMS copies
<i>Jim Thorpe, Original all-American</i> by Joseph Brusac – Jim Thorpe overcame a harsh childhood growing up on Indian reservations and Indian boarding schools to become a professional football player, professional baseball player, and Olympic gold medalist in track and field. (276 pages)	23
<i>The Boys Who Challenged Hitler</i> by Phillip M. Hoose - Knud Pedersen and a group of his schoolmates band together to fight back against the Nazis who have taken over their town in Denmark. (175 pages)	22
<i>Tuesdays with Morrie</i> by Mitch Albom – Mitch reconnects with the professor that impacted him in college during his last months of life and learns valuable lessons about life, love, and relationships. 192 pages)	26
<i>Barrio Boy</i> by Ernesto Galarza – Ernesto’s family leaves Mexico to escape the Revolution and resettles in Sacramento, California, where he experiences new influences that forever shape his outlook on life. (321 pages)	18