

**Jessie Clark Middle School: 2017 Summer Reading List  
Especially for INCOMING SIXTH Grade Students**

We are pleased to partner with the Kentucky Association of School Librarians and the Kentucky Bluegrass Award (<http://www.kasl.us/kentucky-bluegrass-award.html>) to offer all books on their list of 2017 nominees as summer reading options for our incoming sixth grade students! Since this group of students is at a special transition year, they may choose either a book from the elementary list (3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grades) or the middle list (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades). One book should be read over the summer, and project work begins as soon as we return in August. Completing the information on this page will be helpful – and worthy of a reward – but it is not mandatory. **READING** one book over the summer from the list below, however, is required for every incoming sixth grade student in our school!

Elementary Options	Middle Options
<p><b><i>Dog Man</i></b> by Dav Pilkey</p> <p><b><i>For the Right to Learn: Malala Yousafzai's Story</i></b> by Rebecca Langston-George</p> <p><b><i>Ghosts</i></b> by Raina Telgemeier</p> <p><b><i>The Key to Extraordinary</i></b> by Natalie Lloyd</p> <p><b><i>Maxi's Secrets</i></b> <i>(Or What You Can Learn from a Dog)</i> by Lynn Plourde</p> <p><b><i>Moo</i></b> by Sharon Creech</p> <p><b><i>Pax</i></b> by Sara Pennypacker</p> <p><b><i>Raymie Nightingale</i></b> by Kate DiCamillo</p> <p><b><i>Ruby on the Outside</i></b> by Nora Raleigh Baskin</p> <p><b><i>Woof: A Bowser and Birdie Novel</i></b> by Spencer Quinn</p>	<p><b><i>The Forgetting</i></b> by Sharon Cameron</p> <p><b><i>Ghost</i></b> by Jason Reynolds</p> <p><b><i>The Greatest Zombie Movie Ever</i></b> by Jeff Strand</p> <p><b><i>Most Dangerous: Daniel Ellsberg and the Secret History of the Vietnam War</i></b> by Steve Sheinkin</p> <p><b><i>Ms. Bixby's Last Day</i></b> by John David Anderson</p> <p><b><i>Orbiting Jupiter</i></b> by Gary Schmidt</p> <p><b><i>Paper Things</i></b> by Jennifer Richards Jacobson</p> <p><b><i>Soar</i></b> by Joan Bauer</p> <p><b><i>Stella by Starlight</i></b> by Sharon Draper</p> <p><b><i>Terror at Bottle Creek</i></b> by Watt Key</p>

Part I: Identify which book you chose to read this summer and explain why you chose that particular book.

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Part II: Complete as much as of the information below, as possible, based on your reading and prior knowledge of the language arts concepts. You may discuss the book and concepts with a friend or family member, but please do not use internet sources for a complete book synopsis or other book-specific information. Doing YOUR best with some missing pieces is better than bringing your teacher a completed worksheet in August based on something from the internet! By the way, if necessary, please attach a separate sheet for lengthy responses.

<u>Setting(s)</u>	<u>Character Descriptions</u>	
<u>Conflicts</u>		
<u>Other Main Events</u>		
<u>Theme(s)</u>	<u>Personal Critique</u>	
<u>Genre(s)</u>	<u>Publishing Company &amp; City</u>	<u>Copyright Date</u>