## Augusta Raa Performing Arts Magnet Middle School

# Summer 2017 Sixth Grade Summer Reading

Students entering sixth grade in August 2017 at Raa Middle School will choose ONE of the following books.

ALL students will complete the assignment and turn it in the first week of school.

## A Suggested Reading Pacing Guide!

June 5<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>:

Schooled - Ch. 1-3; Small as an Elephant - Ch. 1-3

Eggs - Ch. 1-5

June 12th-16th

Schooled - Ch. 4-6; Small as an Elephant - Ch. 4-6

Eggs - Ch. 5-10

June 19th-23rd

Schooled - Ch. 7-9; Small as an Elephant - Ch. 7-9

*Eggs* – Ch. 11-15

June 26<sup>th</sup>-June 30<sup>th</sup>

Schooled - Ch. 10-12; Small as an Elephant - Ch. 10-12

*Eggs* – Ch. 16-20

July 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>

Schooled - Ch. 13-15; Small as an Elephant - Ch. 13-15

*Eggs* – Ch. 21-25

July 10th-14th

Schooled - Ch. 16-21; Small as an Elephant - Ch. 16-18

Eggs - Ch. 26-30

July 17th - 21st

Schooled - Ch. 22-26; Small as an Elephant - Ch. 19-21

*Eggs* – Ch. 31-36

July 24<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>

Schooled - Ch. 27-31; Small as an Elephant - Ch. 22-24

Eggs - Ch. 37-41

July 31<sup>st</sup>-August 11<sup>th</sup> – Assignment!



**Schooled:** Capricorn (Cap)

Anderson has been homeschooled all his life. When his grandmother falls from a tree and is sent to rehab, Cap is forced to go to middle school at Claverage (C Average) Middle School. How will it turn out for Cap? Read and find out!



Small as an Elephant: Jack's

mom is gone, leaving him all alone on a campsite in Maine. Can he find his way back to Boston before the authorities realize what happened? With nothing but a small toy elephant to keep him company, Jack begins the long journey.



**Eggs:** David (9-years old) has recently lost his mom and his dad is a traveling salesman. Primrose(13-years old) lives with her unusual mother and has never met her father. Despite their age difference, these two form a strong friendship and help each other through life.

Purchase your book

at Raa Middle School

after May 1st!

### Steps to a Successful Ramtastic Summer!

- 1. Read at least 15 minutes four days a week!
- 2. Follow the suggested reading guide!
- 3. Give yourself enough time to work on the assignment!

#### After Reading Questions: Answer all questions in complete sentences!

#### **Story: Plot and Setting**

- 1. What is the setting (time and place) of your novel?
- 2. List the ten most important events from your novel.
- 3. What is the problem (conflict) in your novel?
- 4. What is the resolution of your novel?

#### **Characters:**

- 1. List the MAIN characters in your novel. List five facts about each main character.
- 2. Choose ONE character and answer the following questions:
  - a. What does this character look like? Find a quote in the novel to support your answer.
  - b. In one word, describe your character. Find a quote in the novel that supports your answer.
  - c. In two or three sentences, explain how your character changes from the beginning of the novel to the end.
  - d. In another two or three sentences, explain what might cause this change.

#### Theme:

#### Theme is a little life lesson the author teaches the reader.

- 1. What is the theme/life lesson of this novel?
- 2. Find a quote from the text to support your answer.
- 3. Why might the author want to teach this lesson to sixth graders?

#### **Life Connections:**

- 1. Text to self: Explain in two or three sentences a connection that you can make to your life.
- 2. Text to text: Explain in two or three sentences how this novel ,or a character from the novel, might relate to another character from another story.
- 3. Text to school: Explain in two or three sentences how something in your novel can relate to something at school.

#### **The Next Chapter:**

1. Think about how your novel ended. What would the start to the next chapter look like? In a paragraph or so, start the next chapter of your novel.

#### **Issues:**

1. Choose an issue that is in your novel. This can be anything – bullying, friendship, loss of a family member...etc. In a paragraph, explain the issue in the novel AND how you feel about it.

#### Rating:

- 1. Out of five stars, what would you rate your novel?
- 2. Explain in about three to five sentences why!

\*\*\*Due in class the first week of school!\*\*\*