

Deerlake Middle School Recommended Summer Reading

Research shows that students improve their reading skills through practice. All students entering grades six through eight should read one book this summer. The goal of our recommended summer reading is to challenge, motivate, and entertain students in order to create life-long readers. The book lists can be found at local libraries and book stores.

We hope students enjoy this opportunity to read at a leisurely pace. Book report forms are available on the Deerlake Middle School website and will be available in language arts classes at the beginning of the school year.

Titles for upcoming sixth graders

Crispin: The Cross of Lead by Avi
Elijah of Buxton by Christopher Paul Curtis
Petey by Ben Mikaelson
Heat by Mike Lupica
Schooled by Gordon Korman

Titles for upcoming seventh graders

Gregor the Overlander by Suzanne Collins
Roar by Emma Clayton
Chains by Laurie Halse Anderson
Money Hungry by Sharon Flake
Red Kayak by Priscilla Cummings

Titles for upcoming eighth graders

Everlost by Neal Schusterman
I Have Lived a Thousand Years by Lavita Bitton-Jackson
Touching Spirit Bear by Ben Mikaelson
Zach's Lie by Roland Smith
Under a War Torn Sky by Kevin L.M. Elliot



Per School Board Policy 2240, Leon County Schools recognizes that certain instructional materials may conflict with a student's or parent's value system. In such cases, a parent may request in writing an alternative summer reading assignment. Please direct inquiries to Mrs. Julie Lawson, AP Curriculum and Instruction.