

Paulsen, Gary	<i>Hatchet</i>
Staples, Suzanne F.	<i>Shabanu, Daughter of the Wind</i>
Stevenson, Robert L.	<i>Treasure Island</i>
Taylor, Mildred	<i>Let the Circle be Unbroken</i>

#### ENTERING EIGHTH GRADE LITERATURE

<u>Author</u>	<u>Title</u>
Anderson, Laurie H.	<i>Fever, 1793</i>
Avi	<i>The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle</i>
Ball, Jacqueline A.	* <i>Forensics</i>
Burns, Olive Ann	* <i>Cold Sassy Tree</i>
Cooper, Susan	* <i>The Dark Is Rising</i>
Crutcher, Chris	<i>Ironman</i>
Cunningham, Chet	<i>Chief Crazy Horse</i>
Flagg, Fannie	* <i>Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe</i>
Greene, Bette	<i>Summer of My German Soldier</i>
Karwoski, Gail	<i>Seaman: The Dog Who Explored the West with Lewis and Clark</i>
Konigsburg, E. L.	<i>Silent to the Bone</i>
Langan, Paul	<i>Bluford High (series)</i>
Myers, Walter Dean	<i>Bad Boy: A Memoir</i>
Paulsen, Gary	<i>Brian's Winter</i>
Rinaldi, Ann	<i>Wolf by the Ears</i>
Sperry, Armstrong	<i>Call it Courage</i>
Steinbeck, John	<i>The Pearl</i>
Taylor, Theodore	<i>The Cay</i>
Voigt, Cynthia	<i>Homecoming</i>

#### OPTIONAL FOR ANY GRADE LEVEL

<u>Author</u>	<u>Title</u>
Albom, Mitch	<i>The Five People You Meet in Heaven</i>
Anderson, Laurie	<i>Speak</i>
Covey, Sean	<i>Seven Habits of Highly Effective Teens</i>
DuMaurier, Daphne	* <i>Rebecca</i>
Dickens, Charles	* <i>Oliver Twist</i>
Gaines, Ernest	<i>A Gathering of Old Men</i>
Herriot, James	<i>All Creatures Great and Small</i>
Myers, Walter Dean	<i>Monster</i>
Santiago, Esmeralda	<i>When I Was Puerto Rican</i>
Twain, Mark	<i>The Adventures of Tom Sawyer</i>

\*Denotes a book for advanced readers.

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# 2011 Summer Reading Program Grades 6-8

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Current OCS students may read **eBooks** at the OCS **FollettShelf®** website using their AR username and password:

<http://wbb00710.follettshef.com>

Rising 6th graders and new 7th & 8th graders will not have a login.

## Required Summer Reading For All Incoming and Returning OCS Students

The benefits of summer reading are enormous for building vocabulary and improving comprehension. Reading the equivalent of 25 books per student per year (may include textbooks and magazines) is one of Georgia's performance standards.

**All rising 6th-8th grade students, except those taking 9th grade lit/comp (see below), are required to:**

Read any two books appropriate to your reading level, as measured by Accelerated Reader or Lexile. A list of suggested titles is provided by the Savannah-Chatham County Middle School Summer Reading List.

Write a one-paragraph plot summary for every 25 pages in each book read (this improves comprehension). Black-and-white marbled journals are preferred, but any notebook will be accepted. Typed computer logs are also acceptable. Please date each journal entry. Journals will be turned in **DURING THE FIRST TWO DAYS of school** for a grade. Additional books may be read and logs submitted. Students may use logs to take AR quizzes.

**All rising 8th graders taking 9th grade lit./comp.** are required to read the following books:

*Animal Farm*, by George Orwell  
*Lord of the Flies*, by William Golding  
*The Secret Life of Bees*, by Sue Monk Kidd  
*The Good Earth*, by Pearl S. Buck

These students will have an alternate assignment that will be mailed home and also posted on the OCS website.

Questions? E-mail Director of Instruction, Martha Nesbit at [martha.nesbit@sccpss.com](mailto:martha.nesbit@sccpss.com)

Happy Reading!

## SCCPSS Middle School Summer Reading List

### ENTERING SIXTH GRADE LITERATURE

Author	Title
Alexander, Lloyd	<i>The Remarkable Journey of Prince Jen</i>
Bray, Rosemary	<i>Unafraid of the Dark</i>
Bruchac, Joseph	* <i>Code Talker</i>
Conley, Jane Leslie	<i>Crazy Lady</i>
Creech, Sharon	<i>Absolutely Normal Chaos</i>
Curtis, Christopher Paul	<i>Bud, Not Buddy</i>
Cushman, Karen	<i>The Midwife's Apprentice</i>
George, Jean Craighead	* <i>My Side of the Mountain</i>
Hobbs, Will	<i>Far North</i>
Juster, Norton	<i>The Phantom Tollbooth</i>
Karwoski, Gail	<i>Tsunami</i>
Keller, Helen	<i>The Story of My Life</i>
Lewis, C. S.	<i>The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe</i>
Lowry, Lois	* <i>The Giver</i>
Patterson, Katherine	<i>Bridge to Terabithia</i>
Rawls, Wilson	<i>Where the Red Fern Grows</i>
Rowling, J. K.	<i>Harry Potter Series</i>
Ryan, Pam Munoz	<i>Esperanza Rising</i>
Sachar, Louis	<i>Sixth Grade Secrets</i>
Snicket, Lemony <i>et. al.</i>	<i>Any in the Series</i>
Spinelli, Jerry	<i>Maniac Magee</i>
Whelan, Gloria	<i>Angel on the Square</i>
White, Ruth	<i>Belle Prater's Boy</i>

### ENTERING SEVENTH GRADE LITERATURE

Author	Title
Bakker, Robert	* <i>Raptor Red</i>
Cabot, Meg	<i>Princess Diaries Series</i>
Cleaver, Vera	<i>Where the Lilies Bloom</i>
Dahlberg, Maurine	<i>Escape to West Berlin</i>
Draper, Sharon	<i>Copper Sun</i>
Fradin, Judith Bloom	* <i>The Power of One: Daisy Bates and the Little Rock Nine</i>
Grahame, Kenneth	<i>The Reluctant Dragon</i>
Hobbs, Will	<i>Jason's Gold</i>
Jacques, Brian	<i>Redwall</i>
Kjeigaard, Jim	* <i>Snow Dog</i>
L'Engle, Madeline	<i>A Wrinkle in Time</i>
Myers, Walter Dean	<i>Slam</i>
Nickerson, Sara	<i>How to Disappear Completely and Never Be Found</i>
Nix, Garth	<i>Sabriel</i>
O'Dell, Scott	<i>Island of the Blue Dolphins</i>
Parker, Barry	<i>Alien Life: The Search for Extraterrestrials and Beyond</i>

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\*\*\*Students may also choose books from  
the Georgia Book Award List 2011 found here:  
[http://gcbac.com/pdfs/Book\\_Award\\_Nominees\\_Powerpoint2010\\_2011.pdf](http://gcbac.com/pdfs/Book_Award_Nominees_Powerpoint2010_2011.pdf)

For Accelerated Reader Book Levels and Points,  
please visit: [www.arbookfind.com/](http://www.arbookfind.com/)