

St. Charles Borromeo Academy
Summer Reading 2019
Eighth Grade

Summer reading provides you with an opportunity to help your Scholar continue to develop a love of reading. It is our hope that you will make reading a part of your family's summer. Please encourage your Scholar to read at least 30 minutes a day. This summer, we ask that your Scholar read at least 3 books. The Adventures of Tom Sawyer is a required book for eighth grade Scholars.

It is important that you provide an opportunity for your Scholar to talk to you about the book they are reading. This will help them grow in their ability to articulate their thoughts and ideas. After reading a book, your Scholar should write a brief summary of the book. Your Scholar will be eligible for a free dress day if he/she returns a summary of The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain, and 2 additional summaries at the SCBA Scholar Kickoff on August 14.

Tips to help establish a reading environment during the summer:

- ❖ **Have a set time each day for reading.**
- ❖ **It is important that your Scholar read every day (at least 30 minutes). You can make it fun by reading outdoors on the front steps, on the patio, at the park, and by the pool.**
- ❖ **Take your Scholar to the library regularly to choose books. If your Scholar does not have a library card, this would be a good time to get one.**

Summer Reading Programs

- ❖ **The Mid-Continent Library has a summer reading program that you can enroll your Scholar. Scholars can earn points by counting books they read or counting minutes. He/She can also earn points by attending events at the local library. Information about the program can be found online at <https://www.mymcpl.org/summer-learning-program>. Scholars have an opportunity to use his/her points to choose a book as well as other prizes.**
- ❖ **Barnes and Noble also has a summer reading program. Your Scholar needs to read at least 8 books. He/She should record the title, author, tell their favorite part and why. Your Scholar can then choose a free book. The link to that program and the journal page is**

<https://dispatch.barnesandnoble.com/content/dam/ccr/pdf/2019/summer-reading/123233A-05-bn-tear-sheet-bndotcom.pdf>.

- ❖ **St. Pius X summer reading is open to scholars of all ages. You can register your Scholar at <https://spxkc.org/readingwarriors>. Scholars need to read and rate 12 books. If they return the completed challenge log to mlittle@spxkc.org, he/she will receive a small Hawaiian Ice.**

The books read for any of the summer programs can also be counted for St. Charles Borromeo Academy summer reading if he/she writes a short summary of the book.

The list below is only a suggestion. It is important that your Scholar choose books that will interest and engage him/her while reading. Ultimately, we want our Scholars to grow and nurture their love of reading.

Book Suggestions:

The Giver by Lowry
No Greater Love by Mother Teresa
Spindle's End by McKinley
The Hiding Place by Bloom
Mortal Engines by Reeve
The Goose Girl by Hale
Call It Courage by Sperry
Lord of the Flies by Golding
Wishtree by Applegate
A Long Walk to Water by Park
The Wind in the Willows by Grahame
White Fang by London
Fish In A Tree by Hunt
Ghost by Reynolds
Hello, Universe by Kelly
Refugee by Gratz

Authors:

Jerry Spinelli
Kate DicCamillo
Lois Lowry
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Gary Paulson
Sharon Creech
C. S. Lewis
James Patterson

