



**ROBERT E. MELICAN MIDDLE SCHOOL  
2024-2025 SUMMER READING TASK  
FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADES 6, 7, 8**

Summer brings opportunities for relaxation and also exploration. Our goal in sharing the attached summer reading assignment is to help our students use literature as a way to do both. All students are required to complete the task below.

**Required Summer Reading Tasks for all Melican students entering grades 6-8:**

1. Read at least one book from the list that applies to your grade for the 2024-2025 school year.

Grade	Title, Author, and Text Type
6	<i>Esperanza Rising</i> by Pam Muñoz Ryan (Literary) <b>OR</b> <i>Promises to Keep: How Jackie Robinson Changed America</i> by Sharon Robinson (Informational)
7	<i>The Lightning Thief</i> by Rick Riordan (Literary) <b>OR</b> <i>The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind</i> (Young Readers Edition) by William Kamkwamba and Bryan Maaler (Informational)
8	<i>A Long Walk to Water</i> by Linda Sue Park (Literary) <b>OR</b> <i>Patient Zero</i> by Marilee Peters (Informational)

**Access**

In addition to copies available at the Northborough Public Library and through their CWMARS libraries network, all texts are available in at least one format (digital or audio) on Sora.

Visit [soraapp.com](https://soraapp.com), click **find your school**, then click **No, I'll search for my school**. At the **Let's Find Your School** prompt, search: Public Schools of Northborough and Southborough. At the following screen, scroll down to Northborough-Southborough Public Schools. Then click sign-in. At this point, students can use their school issued Google credentials to log in.

2. Complete the [summer reading 2024 participation and reflection form linked here](#).

**Optional Extension Activity:**

- Log your reading using the [Northborough Public Library Summer Reading Teen Program log](#). More information about the Northborough public library's summer reading program can be found at the [Northborough Public Library Website](#).

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