

#HopeReadingChallenge
Rising Sixth Grade suggested reading list
Hope Middle School

Welcome to Hope Middle School and the Mustang Family! At Hope Middle School, we have high expectations for our students, including the expectation that students will rise above and beyond what teachers assign to them and participate in voluntary academic programs that extend knowledge and make learning fun. One such opportunity is our #HopeReadingChallenge.

Students may read any book to earn challenge points, but sometimes, don't know where to start. Sixth graders at HMS explore a variety of literary genres in their English Language Arts class. In anticipation of the upcoming school year, we have selected ten titles, from a variety of genres, on a variety of reading levels, and about a variety of subjects. Any of the books listed below would be a great place for rising 6th graders to start.

Students who participate in the #HopeReadingChallenge by reading a minimum of 10 points worth of books, will be recognized in a special way during the first few weeks of school.

Fantasy: *Fantasy Baseball* by Alan Gratz

Word Game Fiction: *Punished* by David Lubar

Science Fiction: *Life as We Know It* by Susan Beth Pfeffer

Mystery Fiction (sports): *Last Shot: A Final Four Mystery* by John Feinstein

Historical Fiction: *The Romeo & Juliet Code* by Phoebe Stone

Non-fiction: *Chasing Lincoln's Killer* by James L. Swanson

Classic: *The Secret Garden* by Frances Hodgson Burnett

Animal Fiction: *Cracker* by Cynthia Kadohata

Realistic Fiction: *Ghost* by Jason Reynolds

Humorous Fiction: *The Pepins & their Problems* by Polly Horvath

This is a voluntary program that we hope you will choose to participate in. Participation will not affect students' grades or placement in classes. There will be no punitive action taken for students who choose not to participate.

Each book chosen is a suggested novel that our media coordinator, Mrs. Below, thinks that middle school students will enjoy and that 6th grade teachers feel will compliment the ELA curriculum.

The list of suggested books and additional copies of the reading log, can be found on the media page of our school website, <http://hopemustangs.com/resources/media-center/>

Happy Reading!