# **SEL Required Summer Reading Incoming Grades 4-8**

### **FAQs**



# Which books are required? (Grade shown represents incoming):

4<sup>th</sup> grade Because of Winn Dixie by Kate DiCamillo

5<sup>th</sup> grade Shiloh by Phyllis Reynolds Naylor

6<sup>th</sup> grade The Skin I'm In by Sharon Flake

(HONORS) *The Watsons go to Birmingham* by Christopher Paul Curtis

7<sup>th</sup> grade Out of My Mind by Sharon Draper or

Framed by Gordon Korman

8<sup>th</sup> grade Rules by Cynthia Lord

(HONORS) Discovering Wes Moore by Wes Moore and

When You Reach Me by Rebecca Stead

## How will students know about the required summer reading?

1. Teachers will meet with incoming students before summer break to introduce the assigned book, explain the requirements and read an excerpt of the book aloud. This will occur as follows:

4<sup>th</sup> grade teachers meet with 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students - during 3<sup>rd</sup> grade visit to Greenview

5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers meet with 4<sup>th</sup> grade students - TBD by Greenview teachers

6th grade teachers meet with 5th grade students - TBD by Greenview teachers

7th grade teachers meet with 6th grade students - during 6th grade visit to Memorial

8th grade teachers meet with 7th grade students - TBD by Memorial teachers

- 2. Students will receive a hard copy of the summer reading requirement (TBD by each school. E.g. In weekly take-home communication folder, distributed during summer reading presentation, etc).
- 3. Summer reading requirements will be posted on the district website.

# What will it be worth towards my 1st quarter grade?

Summer reading will be worth 5% (per book if required to read 2) of the overall 1st quarter grade.

#### What are the due dates?

The book must be completely read by August  $16^{TH}$ . Project and written responses are due by August  $24^{TH}$ .

## What happens if it's not turned in on time?

No late work will be accepted.

#### What about new enrollees?

During registration (until July 31<sup>st</sup>), they will be given a copy of the guidelines for required summer reading. New enrollees after August 1<sup>st</sup> will be exempt from required summer reading.

#### How will students get copies of the books?

Students are required to independently obtain a copy of the required reading (E.g. local library, book store, digital download, pre-sale in school before school year ends, etc.).