

Jackson Public Schools

SUMMER READING

Engage and Escape with Reading

K-12 JPS Summer Required Reading Titles

GRADE	BOOK TITLES	GRADE	BOOK TITLES
K	Pete the Cat: I Love My White Shoes by Eric Litwin	7	Monster by Walter Dean Myers
1	Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse by Kevin Henkes	8	Do the Math: Secrets, Lies, and Algebra by Wendy Lichtman
2	Officer Buckle and Gloria by Peggy Rathmann	9	Elijah of Buxton by Christopher Paul Curtis
3	The Stories Julian Tells by Ann Cameron	10	The Other Wes Moore by Wes Moore
4	Frindle by Andrew Clements	11	Three Little Words by Ashley RhodesCourter
5	The Mighty Miss Malone by Christopher Paul Curtis	12	Jubilee by Margaret Walker-Alexander
6	Wonder by R. J. Palacios		

Advanced Learning Programs (APAC and IB) Summer Required Reading Titles

GRADE	BOOK TITLES	GRADE	BOOK TITLES
K	The Itsy Bitsy Spider by Iza Trapani	8	Black Boy by Richard Wright
1	Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak	9	The Moon is Down by John Steinbeck
2	The Firekeeper's Son by Linda Sue Park	9 (IB)	Speak by Laurie R. King
3	Roxaboxen by Alice McLerran	10	Gathering of Old Men by Ernest Gaines
4	Sasquatch Escape: The Imaginary Veterinary Book I by Suzanna Selfors	10 (IB)	Chronicle of a Death Foretold by Gabriel Garcia Marquez
5	The Lion Who Stole My Arm by Nicola Davies	11 (AP)	1984 by George Orwell
6	Fish In A Tree by Lynda Mullaly Hunt	11 (IB)	How To Read Literature Like a Professor by Thomas C. Foster
7	A Long Walk to Water by Linda Sue Park	12 (AP)	Siddhartha by Herman Hesse
		12 (IB)	Heart of Darkness by Joseph Conrad
			King Lear by William Shakespeare

All students are also required to read at least two additional books of choice. For more information, visit www.jackson.k12.ms.us/SummerReading.

Summer Reading Program Events

JPS Partners In Education

Jackson Public Schools understands that community involvement is a vital component for successful schools. JPS Partners in Education are here to support families with access to the summer reading books and other educational resources. Among the resources and materials available to assist with summer reading for families and students are:

- *Summer Bridge Workbooks*, Pre-K-8th grades; *180 days* workbook, K-6th grades in reading, math, language arts, social studies, and geography; subject-area workbooks and other novels, 9th-12th grades; hands-on manipulatives

For more information and to arrange a day and time to pick up materials, contact Sylenia Anderson at 601-960-8945.

Jackson-Hinds Library System

JHLS is excited to announce the following:

- A new curbside pickup of library books with texting service at Welty, Willie Morris, Quisenberry, and Alexander libraries. Parents and children can place up to 5 books on hold on their online catalog system.
- The READSQUARED Online Summer Library Program will be debuting online in June. It will run in conjunction with their Summer Reading Program, which runs from June 15th to July 31st. They will also be giving away Grab and Go bags for kids at branches which contain a fun craft, along with a story and activity sheets.
- The online resource *TumbleBooks* with ebooks and e-audios for kids and teens, as well as, the new RBDigital Comic Book database are available. Also available is a new online registration option that gives families the option to register for a three month library card online. When the parents are ready, they can come into the library to provide proof of address and get a real JHLS card.

For more information about the many resources available at the Jackson-Hinds Libraries, visit <https://jhlibrary.org/>.

Boys and Girls Clubs

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Jackson are working with students this summer in the areas of reading and math. The clubs will have summer reading books available on-site to assist students in summer reading and completion of logs. There are still openings for students to attend the clubs, however, on a first come first serve basis. **Attendance is free for a year for the first 15 students who register from the following schools:**

- Capitol location (Lanier and Blackburn students), Sykes location (Sykes, Forest Hill, Cardozo students), and Walker location (Siwell, Forest Hill, Cardozo students); For more information, call Capitol location (601-948-7211), Sykes location (601-372-4111), or Walker location (601-372-9090).

Scholastic Summer Read-A-Palooza

Scholastic is committed to providing at-home learning over the summer months with Scholastic Summer Read-a-Palooza. The free program unites communities in a nationwide campaign that celebrates reading for fun while improving access to books during the summer. For 2020, they are excited to share a brand new kids experience in Scholastic Home Base, a free digital destination which offers full books, live events, and games in a safe community for readers. Kids will be encouraged to track their reading streaks™ to earn rewards and unlock book donations, with the goal of donating 100,000 books by July. To learn more, visit <https://www.scholastic.com/site/summer/home.html>.

BOOK IT!

BOOK IT! was created in 1984 and currently reaches more than 14 million students and 37,000 K-6 grade schools annually. Since then, the Pizza Hut BOOK IT! Program has been dedicated to encouraging reading in schools nationwide. BOOK IT! motivates children to read by rewarding their reading accomplishments with praise, recognition and pizza. The program is simple, flexible, fun and free to use at home or in the classroom. For more information, visit <https://www.bookitprogram.com/book-it-for-parents>.