

## Overview of Program

Throughout the school year, the goal at Roberto Clemente Middle School has been for students to be reading a book at all times. Students read many books during the school year and are in the habit of reading on a regular basis. In keeping with this practice, it is expected that students will continue reading books throughout the summer and will be accountable for that reading when they return to school in the fall.

The English/Language Arts department has designed a process for students to follow in order to prepare themselves for the coming academic school year. Included in this brochure is a recommended reading list and a list of recommended authors from which students may select their summer reading. It is suggested that students and parents review this list and make selections that will be both enjoyable and challenging.

## Process for Reading

Please follow these directions for each reading:

- Students will select a book which has not been previously read and meets with parent approval.
- On a 5"x8" note card, typed paper, or loose leaf paper write the Title and Author  
Main Characters with a short description
- Write a summary of the book which tells the conflict of the story, the main events, and explains how the conflict was solved.
- Upon returning to school in August, students will turn their work in to their English teacher. They will also complete a graded assignment related to the books they have read.

## Sixth Grade Expectations

- Reg. Read at least one book from the author or title list.  
Read one additional book of choice.
- GT Read at least two books from the author or title list.  
Read one additional book of choice.

## Author List

Avi	Lloyd Alexander
Jean Craighead George	Bruce Brooks
Judy Blume	Beverly Cleary
Matt Christopher	Virginia Hamilton
Roald Dahl	Robert Lipsyte
Lois Duncan	Walter Dean Myers
Gary Paulsen	Katherine Paterson
Paula Danziger	Laurence Yep
Betsy Byars	Madeleine L'Engle
Lois Lowry	Norma Fox Mazer
C. S. Lewis	Scott O'Dell
Susan Cooper	J.R.R. Tolkein
Natalie Babbitt	Mary Downing Hahn
Bill Wallace	Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
Ann Rinaldi	E.L. Konigsburg
Gail Carson Levine	J.K. Rowling
Priscilla Cummings	Gary Soto
Karen Cushman	
Jules Verne	

## Title List

<i>Anne of Green Gables</i>	Montgomery
<i>Crash</i>	Spinelli
<i>April and the Dragon Lady</i>	Namoika
<i>Kokopelli's Flute</i>	Hobbs
<i>The Friendship</i>	Taylor
<i>Shadowmaker</i>	Nixon
<i>The Face on the Milk Carton</i>	Cooney
<i>Dead Man at Indian Creek</i>	Hahn
<i>SOS Titanic</i>	Hamilton
<i>Me, Mop and Moondance</i>	Myers
<i>Esperanza Rising</i>	Ryan
<i>M.C. Higgins the Great</i>	Hamilton
<i>Park's Quest</i>	Paterson
<i>The Broccoli Tapes</i>	Slepian
<i>Julie of the Wolves</i>	George
<i>S.O.R. Losers</i>	Avi
<i>Missing May</i>	Rylant
<i>Cat Runner</i>	Snyder
<i>Red Kayak</i>	Cummings
<i>Little Women</i>	Louisa May Alcott

Below are ten additional books that you have the option to read. These books are the **Black Eyed Susan** books selected for the next school year. Our Media Center Specialist, Alexis Gerard, will be holding fun and engaging book talks and parties where these books will be discussed. Keep reading and enjoy your summer!

Bingham, Kelly	<i>Shark Girl</i>
Burg, Shana	<i>A Thousand Never Evers</i>
Carey, Janet Lee	<i>Dragon's Keep</i>
Dowd, Siobhan	<i>The London Eye Mystery</i>
Hobbs, Will	<i>Go big or Go Home</i>
Korman, Gordon	<i>Schooled</i>
Landy, Derek	<i>Skulduggery Pleasant (also known as Scepter of the Ancients)</i>
Lewis, Richard	<i>The Killing Sea</i>
Sonnenblick, Jordan	<i>Zen and the Art of Faking It</i>
Wolf, Joan	<i>Someone Named Eva</i>

For Students Entering Grade 6  
**SUMMER READING PROGRAM**  
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