KINGSVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL
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KINGSVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT 2013-2014

Other Helpful Resources for Book Lists and Information:

Join The Teen Summer Reading 2013 to win prizes at Montgomery County Public Libraries
June-August:
http://montgomerycountymd.libguides.com/summerreading

Scholastic Summer Reading Challenge
Read * Log Minutes * Earn Rewards
http://www.scholastic.com/ups/campaigns/src-2013

Young Adult Library Services Association:
www.ala.org/yalsa/booklists

What should I read next?
http://www.whatsshouldireadnext.com/search

Study Skills Website:
To refine reading strategies, note taking strategies, vocabulary building and more go to:
http://www.how-to-study.com/

English Concepts Internet Sites
In addition, if you would like to work on reading/ writing/vocabulary with your child over the summer, please visit the following sites.
http://www.vocabulary.co.il/prefixes/
http://www.readwritethink.org/parent-afterschool-resources/grade/7-8/
http://owl.english.purdue.edu/
http://www.eduplace.com/kids/hme/

MSA/HSA Information
http://www.mdk12.org/index.html

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This 10 point Homework assignment will be due on the first day of School August 26, 2013 Deadline
September 6, 2013

The Black-Eyed Susan Book Award is a children's choice award for the state of Maryland. Each year since 1992, the Black-Eyed Susan Book Award has been given to authors and/or illustrators of outstanding books chosen for the award by Maryland students. The award seeks to promote literacy and lifelong reading habits by encouraging students to read quality, contemporary literature.

For more info: http://www.maslmd.org/index.php

Grades 4-6 Nominees
Couloumbis, Audrey – Jake
Ferrari, Michael – Born to Fly
Holm, Jennifer L. – The Trouble with May Amelia
Lai, Thanhha – Inside Out & Back Again

Lewis, Gill – Wild Wings
Nolen, Jerdine – Eliza's Freedom Road: an Underground Railroad Diary
Ray, Delia – Here Lies Linc
Rhodes, Jewel Parker – Ninth Ward
Schwabach, Karen – The Storm Before Atlanta
Wells, Rosemary – On the Blue Comet

Grades 6-9 Nominees
Bradley, Kimberly Brubaker - Jefferson's Sons: a Founding Father’s Secret Children
Choldenko, Gennifer – No Passengers Beyond This Point
Deuker, Carl – Payback Time
Frost, Helen – Hidden
Gidwitz, Adam – A Tale Dark & Grimm
LeFleur, Suzanne M. - Eight Keys
Leonard, Julia Platt - Cold Case
Meloy, Maile – The Apothecary
Schmatz, Pat - Bluefish
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At Kingsview Middle School we would like to encourage students to become life-long readers. We believe this is best done by allowing students to explore their own interests in selecting summer reading. With that in mind, KMS requires all students to read two books of their choice. These books may be either fiction or non-fiction.

As you read over the summer, it is your responsibility to keep one page of notes about each of the books you have chosen. Your notes will be the basis of a writing assessment during the first week of school and will count as your first 10 point homework assignment.

*Choose at least two age-appropriate books to read over the summer. A number of suggestions are included, but choose what interests and challenges you.

*For each book, list the title, author, and main events on a sheet of paper either typed or neatly written.

*The more detailed your notes, the more prepared you will be for class. Ideas for notes:

  What you liked or disliked
  Connections you've made with the text, ie: "I've had that same feeling." or "That sounds like a book I've read before!"

Beginning, Middle, and End of the story
Conflict or Problem / Solution
Characters, Setting, Theme

When students return to school in the fall, they will be expected to have their completed notes with them for a homework grade. The students should be prepared to complete a written response based on their reading. Recommendations for books students may enjoy are included in this packet. In addition we have provided web addresses to support your note taking skills and where other selections can be found. There is also a link on the Kingsview web page at:

http://www.mcps.k12.md.us/schools/kingsviewms/

Teacher Recommendations

Mrs. Sullivan recommends: Peaches by Jodi Lynn Anderson. A group of girls discover who they really are by picking peaches for the summer.

Mrs. Walker recommends: Mother Daughter Book Club by Heather Vogel Fredrick. Four girls find that being friends with others who are unlike you can actually be okay when their mothers sign them up for the same book club.

Mr. Godfroy recommends: The Bluford High Series by multiple authors. Even our most reluctant readers love these real-life dramas of high school aged kids.

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Ms. Dorsey recommends: Kira Kira by Cynthia Kadohata. When Katie's sister Lynn becomes desperately ill, the whole family begins to fall apart. It is up to Katie to find a way to remind them all that there is always something glittering -- kira-kira -- in the future.

Mrs. Abdelsalam recommends: Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain. This is a classic book that teaches about the havoc and whimsy of a pre-teen in the 1800's. This would be a great addition to challenge any reader.

Mr. Waldman recommends: Skellig by David Almond. Michael, a ten-year-old boy, moves into a new house and something is in the garage. Is it just a bird, angel, monster? Read this for an interesting thriller.

Ms. Bey recommends: The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens by Stephen R. Covey. This step-by-step guide will help any teenager who is trying to survive middle school!

Ms. Christen recommends: Milkweed by Jerri Spinnelli. This is a perfect book to prepare 7th graders for their Voices of the Past unit. An orphan in the streets of Warsaw during WWII finds himself in the middle of the Holocaust without even knowing his past!

Ms. Pearce recommends: The Essential 55 by Ron Clark. This award winning book explains the rules every student needs to know to be successful.

Mrs. Beroza recommends: The Last of the Really Great Whangdoodles by Julie Andrews Edwards (aka Mary Poppins). If you liked The Chronicles of Narnia or A Wrinkle in Time, this book is for you. It is about the sweetest mythical creature ever known to man, the Whangdoodle, and the Potter children's journey to find him.

Mr. Leff recommends: Whales on Stilts by M.T. Anderson. Lily Gefelty and her friends try to stop Questions? Contact Kristen M. Sullivan
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