

## **ESMS Summer Reading 2021 for Incoming 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade**

Dear Middle School Students and Parents,

Incoming 6th, 7th, and 8th graders may ***choose*** the books they will read during the summer. **Students are required to read 1 Fiction book and 1 Nonfiction book at their reading level or higher.** The Language & Literature teachers at ESMS believe that students will become lifelong readers if given more choice. Our school's mission is to "*empower lifelong learners to create a better world.*" This is one way to help students fulfill that purpose.

Once the school year begins, students will engage in a writing assignment. They will be expected to use examples from fiction and nonfiction book(s) they read over the summer. ESMS L&L teachers strongly encourage students to take notes as they read, as they will be permitted in class.

If you are looking for reading suggestions, please view the suggestions below. These are simply suggestions and not required titles. As always, the final say on the books your child reads is your call as you know them better than anyone else.

Thank you,

ESMS Language & Literature Teachers

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Many titles are available as eBooks for FREE through [Overdrive](#), [ESPL](#), and [Epic Books](#). The following are additional suggestions by grade level.

### **6th Grade Reading Suggestions:**

- 6th grade list curated by the [El Segundo Public Library](#)
- **Book Riot:** [50 Must Read Books for 6th Graders](#)
- **Imagination Soup:** [6th Grade Summer Reading Lists by Genre](#)
- **Scholastic:** [6th Grade Books](#)
- [Previous 6th Grade ESMS Reading List](#)
- [Lexile & Quantile Hub](#)

### **7th Grade Reading Suggestions:**

*(Avoid **The Giver** and **Catherine Called Birdy**, as they will be taught during the school year.)*

- **Book Riot:** [50 Must Read Books for 7th Graders](#)
- **Imagination Soup:** [7th Grade Summer Reading Lists by Genre](#)
- **Scholastic:** [7th Grade Books](#)
- [Previous 7th Grade ESMS Reading List](#)
- [Lexile & Quantile Hub](#)

### **8th Grade Reading Suggestions:**

*(Avoid **The Outsiders**, as it will be taught during the school year.)*

- **Book Riot:** [25 Captivating Books for 8th Graders](#)
- [8th Grade Reading Books for Children ages 13-14](#)
- **Scholastic:** [8th Grade Books](#)
- [Previous 8th Grade ESMS Reading List](#)
- [Lexile & Quantile Hub](#)