

G.W. Carver Middle School
Advanced Language Arts Required Reading List
2017-2018

Sixth Grade

Fall 2017

The Giver by Lois Lowry
The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton
The Watsons go to Birmingham by Christopher Paul Curtis
Claudette Covin: Twice Toward Justice by Phillip Hoose

Spring 2018

The Devil's Arithmetic by Jane Yolen
Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by Grace Lin
A Long Walk to Water by Linda Sue Park
The Crossover by Kwame Alexander

Seventh Grade

Paperback copies of the following:

To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee
I am Malala How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World Malala Yousafzai and Patricia McCormick YOUNG READERS EDITION only.
Much Ado About Nothing by William Shakespeare (Folger Edition only)
Code Talker by Joseph Bruchac
The Ransom of Mercy Carter by Caroline B. Clooney

4th Nine Weeks Reader's Choice

(Students will select ONE BOOK PER CATAGORY for a total of THREE titles.)

Group 1

Better Nate than Ever by Tim Federle
This is Not the Abby Show by Debbie Reed Fisher
Red Kayak by Pricilla Cummings
Wrapped by Jennifer Bradbury
Touching Spirit Bear by Ben Mikaelson
The Witch of Blackbird Pond by Elizabeth George Speare
Raymie Nightingale by Kate DiCamillo

Group 2

Wednesday Wars by Gary Schmidt
The Thing about Jellyfish by Ali Benjamin
Counting by Sevens by Holly Goldberg Sloan
Jeremy Fink and the Meaning of Life by Wendy Mass
Purple Heart by Patricia McCormick
That was then, This is now by S.E. Hinton
Orphan Train Girl by Christina Baker Kline YOUNG READER EDITION

Group 3

Unbroken: An Olympian's Journey from Airman to Castaway to Captive
by Laura Hillenbrand (Adapted for Young Readers Version)
Shackleton's Stowaway by Victoria McKernan
Son of Fortune by Victoria McKernan (Sequel to The Devil's Paintbox)
Lord of the Flies by William Golding
Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson
Maud A Novel Inspired by the Life of L.M Montgomery by Melanie J. Fishbane
The Book Thief by Markus Zusak
Ender's Game by Orsen Scott Card
Just a Drop of Water by Kerry O'Malley Cerra
Bad Boy by Walter Dean Myers (Memoir)

Eighth Grade

Required Reading for the Year:

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time by Mark Haddon
Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck
Flygirl by Sherri S. Smith
The Other Wes Moore by Wes Moore
Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson
Macbeth by William Shakespeare
Fever by Laurie Halse Anderson

Fourth nine weeks - Genre Study. The following books are paired by genre. Student will select a preferred genre AND will have the opportunity to select a third novel of their choosing, under their selected genre. The student must submit a proposal with their choice title and author AND must be approved by their parent and teacher.

World War II

Code Name Verity by Elizabeth Wein
Plot to Kill Hitler by Patricia McCormick

Dystopian

The Road by Cormac McCarthy
Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury

Teen Issues

Speak by Laurie Halse Anderson
Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe by Benjamin Alire Saenz

Art

The Smile by Donna Jo Napoli
The Girl with the Pearl Earring by Tracy Chevalier