

G.W. Carver Language Arts Required Reading List
2019-2020

Sixth Grade

First Nine Weeks

The Giver by **Lois Lowry**
Freak the Mighty by **Rodman Philbrick**

Second Nine Weeks

Out of the Dust by **Karen Hesse**
The Crossover by **Kwame Alexander**

Third Nine Weeks

The Watsons go to Birmingham, 1963 by **Christopher Paul Curtis**
Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice by **Phillip Hoose**

Fourth Nine Weeks

The Devil's Arithmetic by **Jane Yolen**
Where the Mountain Meets the Moon by **Grace Lin**

Seventh Grade

Paperback copies of the following:

I am Malala How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World **Malala Yousafzai** and **Patricia McCormick** (Young Readers Edition only)
Code Talker: A Novel about The Navajo Marines of World War Two by **Joseph Bruchac**
To Kill a Mockingbird by **Harper Lee**
Much Ado About Nothing by **William Shakespeare** (Folger Edition only)

4th Nine Weeks Reader's Choice:

Students will select ONE BOOK PER CATEGORY 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**
That was then, This is Now by **S.E. Hinton**

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**

Orphan Train Girl by **Christina Baker Kline** (Young Reader Edition only)

Just a Drop of Water by **Kerry O'Malley Cerra**

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**

The Book Thief by **Markus Zusak**

Ender's Game by **Orsen Scott Card**

Bad Boy by **Walter Dean Myers** (Memoir)

Eighth Grade

Fever 1793 by **Laurie Halse Anderson**

Macbeth by **Shakespeare** (Folgers Edition only)

The Other Wes Moore by **Wes Moore**

Of Mice and Men by **John Steinbeck**

Enchanted Air Two Cultures Two Wings: A Memoir by **Margarita Engle**

4th Nine Weeks Genre Study

Students will select a preferred genre and read two novels from that genre.

Historical Fiction: War

Code Name Verity by **Elizabeth Wein**

Fallen Angels by **Walter Dean Meyers**

Flygirl by **Sherri S. Smith**

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**

Cut by **Patricia McCormick**

Art History

The Smile by **Donna Jo Napoli**

The Girl with the Pearl Earring by **Tracy Chevalier**

