

EJD Summer Reading Suggestions

Happy Summer Vacation!

This summer, the teachers at EJD are excited to keep you engaged! What better way is there to do that than with BOOKS?! Teachers are sharing their favorite titles for you to choose from. Read for the fun of it!

Because it is good for you, and you can pick from the ideas below!

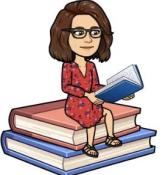
So, as you grab some vitamin D this summer, also take some time to grab some mental vitamins from a good book or two, or three or more!

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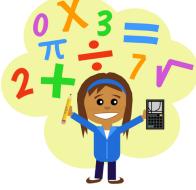
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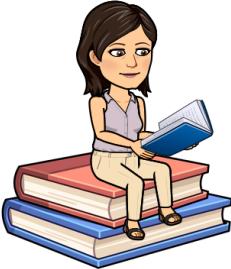
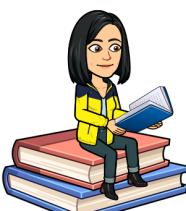

<u>Teachers:</u>	<u>Picks:</u>
<p>*You are encouraged to read any picks from any of the teachers.</p>	
Ms. Lewis  A cartoon illustration of a teacher with short brown hair, wearing a red dress, sitting cross-legged on a stack of books and reading a book.	<p><u>The Heroes of Olympus</u> by Rick Riordan</p> <p>These books make me excited about being a mythology geek, and are great if you loved Percy Jackson because this is considered a spin-off series!</p>
Mrs. Barton  A cartoon illustration of a teacher with blonde hair tied back, wearing a purple sweater, sitting on a couch and reading a book.	<p><u>Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie</u> By Jordan Sonnenblick</p>
Mr. Szykowski  An illustration of a hammer and a wrench.	<p><u>The Way Things Work</u> By David Macauley</p> <p>This is my favorite book of all time. It has great illustrations of how things work mechanically.</p>
Mrs. Barnwell  A cartoon illustration of a teacher with glasses and a bun hairstyle, wearing a black dress, sitting on the floor and reading a book.	<p><u>Frank Einstein and the Antimatter Motor: Book One</u> By Joe Scieszka</p> <p><u>Eight Keys</u> By Suzanne LaFleur</p>



	<p><u>Ungifted</u> By Gordon Korman</p>
Mrs. Hunter 	<p><u>The Cruel Prince</u> By Holly Black</p> <p>This book is most appropriate for my seventh and eighth grade students. I love the fantasy genre of this book, as well as its strong, intelligent female main character - Jude Duarte. It's the perfect mix of action/adventure, the struggle of family dynamics, and romance all set within the enticing world of Faerie.</p>
Mrs. Mastine 	<p><u>Gregor the Overlander: Book 1 of the Underland Chronicles</u> By Suzanne Collins</p> <p>This book kicks off a great fantasy adventure. The author of the <u>Hunger Games</u> gives us another great series!</p>
Mrs. Pritchard 	<p><u>El Deafo</u> By Cece Bell</p> <p><u>Wonder</u> By RJ Palacio</p>
Mrs. Ariola 	<p><u>The Outsiders</u> By SE Hinton</p> <p><u>Wonder</u> By RJ Palacio</p>
Mrs. Gould 	<p><u>Mrs. Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children</u> By Ransom Riggs</p>
Mrs. Smart 	<p><u>Stella by Starlight</u> By Sharon M. Draper</p>

<p>Mrs. George</p> 	<p><u>Found</u> By Margaret Peterson Haddix</p>
<p>Mrs. Wilson</p> 	<p><u>Flush</u> By Carl Hiaasen</p>
<p>Mr. Conklin</p> 	<p><u>In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson</u> By Bette Bao Lord</p>
<p>Mrs. Mainville</p> 	<p><u>In These Girls, Hope Is A Muscle</u> By Madeline Blais</p>
<p>Mrs. Marriott</p> 	<p><u>House Arrest</u> By K.A. Holt</p> <p>The main character is relatable as a middle school student, the choices you might make and the reasons behind them. Sometimes life is more complicated than adults realize.</p> <p><u>Guts</u> By Raina Telgemeir</p> <p>This is an easy read with a lot of situations you may have found yourself in. Its focus is on the weird time in middle school with friends, anxiousness and all the in-between. (Thanks Z.P. for recommending it)</p>

<p>Mrs. Lunn</p> 	<p><u>Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key</u> By Jack Gantos</p>
<p>Mr. Rizza</p> 	<p><u>The Richest Man In Babylon</u> By George Samuel Clason</p> <p>TINY Reason: This book will make you rich.</p>
<p>Mr. Wieczorek</p> 	<p><u>If We Were Giants</u> By Dave Matthews and Clete Barrett Smith</p>
<p>Mrs. Simpson</p> 	<p><u>The Thief Lord</u> By Cornelia Funke</p>
<p>Mrs. Finnis</p> 	<p><u>Pinned</u> By Sharon G. Flake</p> <p>The reason I like this book is because it explains how people have to go through difficulties in life and even though they aren't always the same, the feelings towards them are. It's about loving who someone is even if they are different.</p>

Mr. LaRosa 	<u>The Book Thief</u> By Markus Zuszak
Mr. Diglio 	<u>The Mamba Mentality: How I Play</u> By Kobe Bryant
Mrs. Silky 	<u>We're All Wonders</u> By RJ Palacio This book "taps into every child's longing to belong, and to be seen for who they truly are."
Mrs. McCaffrey 	<u>Because of Winn Dixie</u> By Kate DiCamillo I love the characters in this funny, sad, happy, and heartwarming book about a girl and a stray dog she comes to own when she moves to a new town, and the new friends they make together. <u>Among the Hidden</u> By Margaret Peterson Haddix I love the suspense in this book about Luke, an illegal third child under a population law, who must always stay hidden in his family's home. When he discovers there is a kid next door, living isolated like he is, Luke must decide what risks he is willing to take.
Mrs. Ryan 	<u>The Thing About Jellyfish</u> By Ali Benjamin Suzy works through her grief by solving the mystery of her friend's death. Could it have been a jellyfish? <u>Ghost Boys</u> By Jewell Parker Rhodes Jerome is shot by a cop who mistakes his toy gun for a real one. In death, he learns history from fellow ghost, Emmett Till. Jerome also makes connections

with the living to forgive and find peace.

*This list is a suggested list. We encourage students to read during the summer to build upon skills they worked on this year, and to maintain the growth they have achieved as a reader. There will be no evaluation of their reading, rather this is a way to stay connected to their EJD community through common books. When we all return to school, we can participate in conversations based around shared books, thus building our sense of our school community!