



SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT

Dear Boerne ISD Middle School Students and Parents,

In Boerne ISD, students are encouraged to read for pleasure over the summer. Summer reading provides many advantages for students, including maintaining skills, fostering independent learning, and promoting a lifelong love of reading. Research has proven that students who read daily have a larger vocabulary and earn better grades in school than students who do not. The mission and vision of Boerne ISD is to provide students with learning opportunities which support students in becoming strong readers, writers, and thinkers. It is our hope our students are continuing to grow and learn over the summer months, and for this reason, we promote reading throughout the summer.

Boerne ISD is asking for each student who will be in **Honors 7th-8th Reading Language Arts** courses to read at least one book over the summer prior to our return in August. In an effort to promote student choice in reading and focus on the act of reading, there will not be a required assigned reading list. Instead, when students return in August, students will participate in a lesson to share what they have read over the summer.

Parental support in promoting literacy skills is especially critical during the middle school years. We encourage parents to read with their students and share in their literacy journey. On the second page of this letter, you will find information about selecting books for summer reading. We hope you have a wonderful summer and enjoy reading together!

Sincerely,

Boerne ISD Middle School Reading Language Arts Teachers



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Courses:

Honors 7th and 8th Grade Reading Language Arts

Assignment:

1. Select **any book** that you have not yet read from the genre of your choice.
 - a. Your book should:
 - i. Be a hardback or paperback; not a digital ebook;
 - ii. Be appropriate for your grade level in both length (at least 150 pages) and content;
 - iii. Meet high standards for literary quality and style.
2. When class begins August 12, 2024, students will participate in activities and lessons using the book they read during the summer, so please bring the book to class.

Exceptions:

If you are a new student to Boerne ISD and cannot complete the summer reading before the first day of school, teachers will make reasonable accommodations so that you may finish the reading and complete all assignments associated with it.

Reading Tips:

- Consider joining a summer reading program at the public library.
- Share your reading with others! Some ideas are:
 - Have family reading time and talk to your family about your reading.
 - Set up a summer book club with your friends.

Resources:

The following resources are shared for your convenience:

- [Texas Education Agency: Find a Book Tool](#)
- [Boerne Public Library](#)
- [Texas Library Association's Lone Star List](#)

Please note: Boerne ISD is not responsible for the content of these webpages. It is the responsibility of the student and parent/guardian to make the appropriate selection when students are asked to self-select texts for independent reading.

Questions:

Any questions regarding the summer reading assignment should be directed to Chris Prince, the Secondary Reading Language Arts Coordinator, via email at: chris.prince@boerneisd.net

Enjoy your summer reading!