

## ST BERNARD PARISH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

### Middle School Summer Reading Lists

June 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Our teachers and students have worked hard all year, and your children are leaving school this year as better readers and writers. As you know, good readers and writers read and write DAILY. **Recent brain research shows us that practice is necessary in order to master strategies that are critical to the success of the reading and writing process.** The more students read, the more proficient they become at reading and writing. Summer is a wonderful time of year for students to read books for pleasure and to nurture a love for reading.

The attached summer reading list for St. Bernard Parish Middle Schools supports the district curriculum. The list is organized according to grade level; however, it is always strongly encouraged that students read as much as possible.

Your support in promoting literacy skills is especially critical to your child's education. **Students who read at least one of the texts on the summer reading list can receive extra credit in their English course the following year.** In order to receive extra credit, students must pass the Accelerated Reader Program (ARP) test for each summer reading book. Students may take ARP tests upon their return to school through **August 21, 2020**. Students should submit their printout of test results to their English teacher.

Please encourage and remind your student to keep up with this process to form good literacy habits. We hope that you and your child have a wonderful time enjoying many great books this summer!

Happy reading!

## Incoming 6th Grade

<b>Alice's Adventures in Wonderland</b> by Lewis Carroll
<b>Through the Looking-Glass</b> by Lewis Carroll
<b>Around the World in Eighty Days</b> by Jules Verne

## Incoming 7th Grade

<b>The Secret Garden</b> by Frances Hodgson Burnett
<b>Treasure Island</b> by Robert Louis Stevenson
<b>The Box-Car Children</b> by Gertrude Warner

## Incoming 8th Grade

<b>Kim</b> by Rudyard Kipling
<b>Emma</b> by Jane Austen
<b>The War of the Worlds</b> by H.G Wells

## **SUMMER READING REQUIREMENTS**

- Students will choose one of the above books to read over the summer according to the grade level they will be in during the 2020-2021 school year. Reading more than one book is highly encouraged!
  
- **Online versions of the books can be found on your school website page.**
  
- Students will be able to earn **extra credit** for summer reading assignments. Students will need to take an ARP test or submit a 10 sentence summary of the book to receive extra credit.
  
- Extra credit will be added to Marking Period 1 report card grades.

## Links for the Website

### Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

<b>Alice's Adventures in Wonderland</b> by Lewis Carroll	<a href="#">Online Text</a>
<b>Through the Looking-Glass</b> by Lewis Carroll	<a href="#">Online Text</a>
<b>Around the World in Eighty Days</b> by Jules Verne	<a href="#">Online Text</a>

### Incoming 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

<b>The Secret Garden</b> by Frances Hodgson Burnett	<a href="#">Online Text</a>
<b>Treasure Island</b> by Robert Louis Stevenson	<a href="#">Online Text</a>
<b>The Box-Car Children</b> by Gertrude Warner	<a href="#">Online Text</a>

### Incoming 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

<b>Kim</b> by Rudyard Kipling	<a href="#">Online Text</a>
<b>Emma</b> by Jane Austen	<a href="#">Online Text</a>
<b>The War of the Worlds</b> by H.G Wells	<a href="#">Online Text</a>