**Grades 3-5 Summer Reading List 2017**

Reading during the summer is a great way to keep your student learning! For each reading session students should record their reading time on the provided summer reading log. Each reading participation level will be rewarded with a prize at the start of the 17-18 school year!

¡La lectura durante el verano es una gran manera de mantener a su estudiante aprendiendo! Para cada sesión de lectura los estudiantes deben registrar su tiempo de lectura en el registro de lectura de verano proporcionado. Cada nivel de participación en la lectura será recompensado con un premio al comienzo del año escolar 17-18.

**Reading Participation Levels:**

**Level One: Reading 60 minutes**

**Level Two: 120 Minutes**

**Level Three: 360 minutes**

**Abbott, Tony.**

*Dive! Firegirl*. Little, Brown, 2006.

Social outcast Tom is the only one at his school to make friends with Jessica, a burn victim attending his school while being treated at a local hospital. Through she is only there a few weeks, Tom’s connection to her changes his perspective on himself and on friendship.

 **Allen, Crystal.**

 *The Magnificent Mya Tibbs: Spirit Week Showdown.* Balzer + Bray, 2016.

Nine-year-old Mya wants to be Spirit Week partners with her cool, popular friend Naomi, but things go wrong and she ends up with school bully, Mean Connie, instead. But is Connie really so bad – and is Naomi really so cool?

 **Allen, Elise**.

 *Gabby Duran and the Unsittables*. Disney-Hyperion, 2015.

 Gabby Duran is an extraordinary babysitter. So extraordinary, in fact, that she’s been recruited by the Association Linking Intergalactics and Earthlings (A.L.I.E.N.) to be an extraterrestrial babysitter! Her first assignment is to care for a little girl from the planet Flarknartia – is Gabby up to the challenge?

**Barnett, Mac.**

*The Terrible Two*. Amulet Books, 2015.

In his old school, Miles was known for his epic pranks. But his new school already has a prankster – a good one. The two start out as rivals in a prank war, but what would happen if they joined forces for the biggest prank of all?

**Barton, Chris.**

 *The Amazing Age of John Roy Lynch*. Eerdman’s Books for Young Readers, 2015.

John Roy Lynch was born into slavery, but after emancipation, he became one of the first African-Americans elected to the United States House of Representatives.

**Booth, Coe.**

*Kinda Like Brothers*. Scholastic, Inc., 2014.

Eleven-year-old Jarrett is used to his mom taking in foster babies, but when the latest baby turns out to have a twelve-year-old brother, Jarrett suddenly has to share his room and his family with Kevon. Relations between the two get off to a rocky start, but they’re going to have to find a way to figure it out.

 **Byng, Georgia.**

*Molly Moon’s Incredible Book of Hypnotism.* HarperTrophy, 2002.

Mistreated orphan Molly Moon finds a how-to manual on hypnotism and discovers she’s quite good at it. Her newly developed skills allow her to escape the orphanage and find success and stardom, but the professor **from whom she took the hypnotism book wants it back.**

**Camper, Cathy.**

 *Lowriders in Space.* Chronicle Books, 2014.

This graphic novel is the story of mechanic Lupe Impala, El Chavo Flapjack (an octopus), and Elirio Malaria (a mosquito detailing artist) who love fixing up cars together. To earn money for their own garage, they enter a universal car competition with a rocket-powered lowrider.

**Cheng, Andrea.**

 *The Year of the Book.* Houghton Mifflin, 2012.

 Anna has plenty of friends – the problem is that they are all characters in books. During her fourth grade year, Anna faces the challenges of finding friends who are real people, learning Chinese, and deciding how she wants to write her own story.

**Conkling, Winifred.**

 *Sylvia & Aki*. Yearling, 2013.

As World War II begins, Japanese-American Aki and her family are sent to an internment camp, while Mexican-American Sylvia’s family leases their farm in Orange County, California. But when Sylvia and her siblings are denied enrollment in the nearby school, her father begins a legal fight against school segregation. Historical fiction based on actual events. 5-Book Dive!

**Engle, Margarita.**

*Mountain Dog.* Henry Holt and Company, 2013.

 In this novel in verse, Tony is sent to stay with his great uncle, a forest ranger in the Sierra Nevadas, while his mother is in jail for organizing pit-bull fights. It’s a whole new world for city boy Tony, who learns about nature, search and rescue, hiking, horses, and particularly one very special rescue dog named Gabe.

 **Garza, Xavier.**

*The Donkey Lady Fights la Llorona and Other Scary Stories.* (bilingual) Piñata books, 2015.

 Flip this book over to read in Spanish and English. This collection of stories features Mexican-inspired ghosts, chupacabras, La Llorona, and other spooky things!

**Hunt, Lynda Mullaly.**

 *Fish in a Tree.* Nancy Paulsen Books, 2015.

Sixth-grader Ally is artistic and creative but lives in fear that someone will find out her greatest secret: she can’t read. But with the help of a new teacher, Ally discovers that not everyone learns the same way, and there are different kinds of smart.

**Jamieson, Victoria.**

 *Roller Girl.* Dial Books for Young Readers, 2015.

In this graphic novel, Astrid is growing apart from her lifelong best friend, Nicole, but finds new challenges and new friends when she attends a roller derby camp.

**Lewis, J. Patrick**.

*Bigfoot Is Missing!* Chronicle Books, 2015.

In this collection of poetry, cryptozoological creatures abound! Explore the fearsome, the humorous and the just plain strange – from the Loch Ness monster, to Bigfoot, to a Chupacabra, to the Mongolian Deathworm, and more.

**Mull, Brandon.**

 *Wild Born*. Scholastic, Inc., 2013.

 Four children discover that they have the rare ability to summon spirit animals – and that the animals they have summoned are legendary creatures, called back into being to fight a great evil. This is the first book in the series Spirit Animals; future books are by various authors.

 **Otfinoski, Steven**.

*The Story of Juneteenth: An Interactive History Adventure*. Capstone Press, 2015.

 Imagine that you are a newly freed slave in Texas after the Civil War. Will you try to make your way north? Seek out your family that you haven’t seen since you were a child? Take work as an apprentice? In this choose-your-own adventure style book based on real historical events, you decide what path to take.

**Scieszka, Jon.**

*Frank Einstein and the Antimatter Motor.* Amulet Books, 2014.

Young scientist Frank Einstein, his pal Watson, his robots Klink and Klank, and his Grampa Al must foil the dastardly plans of the evil T. Edison, who has stolen Frank’s antimatter technology.

**Simon, Seymour.**

*Seymour Simon’s Extreme Earth Records.* Chronicle Books, 2015.

Filled with photographs and fascinating facts, this book explores the extremes of earth, from the coldest and hottest places on the planet, to the most destructive tsunami and the largest volcanic eruption. 5-Book Dive!

**Stemberg, Julie.**

*Like Pickle Juice on a Cookie.* Amulet Books, 2011.

Eleanor’s August is so terrible it’s “like pickle juice on a cookie.” Her beloved babysitter Bibi has moved away, and life will never be the same. This is a book for anyone who has ever had to say goodbye to someone, and found it difficult to adjust to someone new.

**Tarshis, Lauren.**

 *I Survived True Stories: Five Epic Disasters*. Scholastic Press, 2014.

Five children live through horrific disasters – a blizzard, a shipwreck, a flood, a tsunami and a tornado – in these true stories of destruction and survival.

**Tonatiuh, Duncan.**

*Separate is Never Equal: Sylvia Mendez & Her Family’s Fight for Desegregation*. Abrams Books for Young Readers, 2014.

In 1947, the Mexican-American Mendez family fought for – and won – the desegregation of schools in California, seven years before the landmark civil rights case Brown v. Board of Education. This is a true story.

**Yang, Gene Luen and Mike Holmes.**

*Secret Coders.* First Second, 2015.

 There is something strange about Hopper’s new school, and she and her new friend Eni resolve to get to the bottom of it. Robot birds, hidden passageways, and binary coding-based tricks abound in this graphic adventure.