

Trinity Lutheran School - Junior High

2011 Summer Reading List
For incoming 6th, 7th, & 8th graders

This summer, students are required to read books and may choose to complete book reports. If a book report is done, that earns extra credit as well as the report can be used during the first or second quarter of the school year to take the place of an assigned book report. Each quarter, 2 book reports are assigned. Complete a book report on the book and turn it in by the end of the first week of school - Friday, August 26. You can always turn them in earlier - email me your report - abtink76@yahoo.com, drop it off in the school office during the summer, or bring it with you to registration in August.

REQUIRED reading lists are on the back of this sheet. Each grade has 2 books to read as well as 1 more to choose to read from the Newberry List. For these 3 books, you will be taking tests on them. The following dates are the designated test dates and times -

- Tuesday, August 2th 9:00-12:00 or 5:00-8:00 (Registration Day)
- Wednesday, August 17th 9:00-11:00
- Monday, August 22 9:00-11:00 or 1:00-2:00

You may do a total of 3 summer book reports. I would encourage you to read books off of the 2012 Rebecca Caudill list, the Newberry Award winners, and books at your book level.

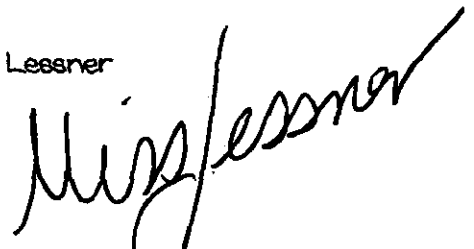
- Summarize each of the following in a paragraph - main characters, setting, plot, and theme. Then in 2-3 more paragraphs write your reaction to the book and if you would recommend a friend to read it.
- Write a letter to the author of your book. In your letter, include what you liked about the book, what you didn't like, what you would change about the book, and any questions you have for the author. This letter should be at least 1 page long.
- Create a new book cover for your book- keep the title the same and include the author's name in the new design. Include a short summary on the back that would grab someone's attention. On the inside include your thoughts about the book.

In late July/ early August, the Lansing Public Library offers a Battle of the Books program which focuses around the 2012 Rebecca Caudill books. Contact the library for more information ASAP and see how to get signed up on a team. If you join a team and participate in the event, additional extra credit will be earned.

I encourage each of you to read throughout the summer! Get involved in your library's summer reading program! If you have any questions, want to e-mail me your book report (not the book cover one), or you just want to tell me about the book you are reading I'd love to hear from you.

Happy summer and happy reading!
In Christ's Love,

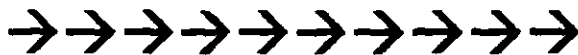
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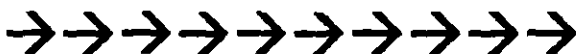
Newberry Award Books

Choose one from this list to read and take an AR test on the test days.

- 2011 Medal Winner. Moon over Manifest by Clare Vanderpool
- 2010 Medal Winner. When You Reach Me by Rebecca Stead
- 2009 Newberry Medal Winner - The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman
- 2008 Newberry Medal Winner - Good Masters! Sweet Ladies! Voices from a Medieval Village by Laura Amy Schlitz
- 2007 Newberry Medal Winner - The Higher Power of Lucky by Susan Patron
- 2006 Newberry Medal Winner - Criss Cross by Lynne Rae Perkins
- 2005 Newberry Medal Winner - Kira Kira by Cynthia Kadohata
- 2004 Newberry Medal Winner - The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo
- 2003 Newberry Medal Winner - Crispin: The Cross of Lead by Avi
- 2002 Newberry Medal Winner - A Single Shard by Linda Sue Park
- 2001 Newberry Medal Winner - A Year Down Yonder by Richard Peck
- 2000 Newberry Medal Winner - Bud, Not Buddy by Christopher Paul Curtis



Students are required to read these 2 Caudill books and one from the Newberry list during the summer. On the designated test days, students will take tests on the books. These test scores will be added in the 1st quarter Literature grade.



2011 R. Caudill List

- Auch, M J. One-Handed Catch.
Broach, Elise. Masterpiece.
Burg, Ann E. All the Broken Pieces.
- Carmichael, Clay. Wild Things.
Clements, Andrew. Extra Credit.
Cochrane, Mick. The Girl Who Threw Butterflies.
- Cody, Matthew. Powerless.
Kelly, Jacqueline. The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate.
Lin, Grace. Where the Mountain Meets the Moon.
Magoon, Kekla. The Rock and the River.
Mass, Wendy. Every Soul a Star.
O'Connor, Barbara. Greetings from Nowhere.
Parry, Rosanne. Heart of a Shepherd.
Paulsen, Gary. Woods Runner.
Philbrick, Rodman. The Mostly True Adventures of Homer P. Figg.
Prineas, Sarah. The Magic Thief.
Scieszka, Jon. Knucklehead: Tall Tales & Mostly True Stories of Growing Up Scieszka.
Smith, Roland. Peak.
Smith, Sheri L. Flygirl.
Westerfeld, Scott. Leviathan.

6th Grade =

The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate by Jacqueline Kelly

Masterpiece by Elise Broach

7th Grade =

Powerless by Matthew Cody

Peak by Roland Smith

8th Grade =

Peak by Roland Smith

Woods Runner by Gary Paulsen