

2015 RICA Summer Reading Assignment

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Dear Students and Parents,

Success in reading comprehension and fluency is achieved by reading. Educational research has repeatedly shown that students who read for pleasure are more likely to develop reading skills. Certainly, regular practice is linked to success in developing almost any skill.

To maintain and develop reading skills during the summer, RICA students are encouraged to read as many books as possible over the summer, but they are only required to write about one book when they return to school in the fall. Summer reading materials may include fiction books, biographies, nonfiction titles, newspapers, and magazines.

Students must complete one of the attached organizers for one of their summer reading books. Ultimately, students will use this organizer to complete a writing assignment in their Reading/English classes early in the school year.

Suggested reading lists are included to identify examples of age-appropriate reading selections for middle and high school students. The books on these lists are not required reading. These lists simply provide a starting place for students on their journey toward self-selecting their own books. However, the book must be approved by their current English teacher.

Students and parents may select titles from these lists or titles that match their student’s interests and reading level.

We hope that each student has an enjoyable and productive summer reading experience. We will look forward to sharing summer readings when school opens in August.

**RICA English Department**