

Middle School (6-8)



Operation Yes by Sara Holmes

Miss Loupe uses improvisational acting exercises with her sixth-grade students at an Air Force base school, and when she experiences a family tragedy, her previously skeptical class members use what they have learned to help her, her brother, and other wounded soldiers.

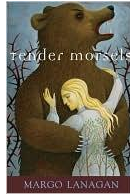
Go Big or Go Home, by Will Hobbs

Black Duck by Janet Taylor Lisle

Ghostgirl by Tonya Hurley

Tender Morsels by Margo Lanagan

A young woman who has endured unspeakable cruelties is magically granted a safe haven apart from the real world and allowed to raise her two daughters in this alternate reality, until the barrier between her world and the real one begins to break down.



How I Live Now by Meg Rosoff

My Thirteenth Winter by Samantha Abeel

Almost Astronauts by Tanya Lee Stone

Series Books:

Out of Sight, Out of Mind

by Marilyn Kaye

Amanda Beeson wakes up one morning to find herself in the body of Tracey Devon, who has the ability to become invisible.



When Amanda finds herself in a special class that Tracey usually attends, it becomes clear that at Meadowbrook Middle School the definition of "gifted" has a whole other meaning.

Tomorrow, When The War Began

by John Marsden

The Alchemyst by Michael Scott

Stormbreaker by Anthony Horowitz

Life As We Knew It by Susan Beth Pfeffer

The Mysterious Benedict Society

by Trenton Lee Stewart

High School (9-12)

From Baghdad, with Love: a Marine, the war, and a dog named Lava by Jay Kopelman

True story of a dog named Lava, who was rescued from an abandoned house in Fallujah, Iraq, cared for by the Marines who found him, and eventually permitted to come to the U. S.



Purple Heart by Patricia McCormick

Boost by Kathy Mackel

Shift by Jennifer Bradbury

Tangled by Carolyn Mackler

Shiver by Maggie Stiefvater

In all the years she has watched the wolves in the woods behind her house, Grace has been particularly drawn to an unusual yellow-eyed wolf who, in his turn, has been watching her with increasing intensity.

Willow by Julia Hoban

Three Cups of Tea by Greg Mortenson & David Oliver Relin

The Fantastic Four by Stan Lee:

Black-and-white reprints of the first "Fantastic Four," chronicling the early adventures of Mr. Fantastic, the Thing, the Human Torch, and the Invisible Girl, four ordinary humans given extraordinary powers in an accident on an experimental spacecraft. (graphic novel)

Series Books:

The Hunger Games and

Catching Fire by Suzanne Collins

Sixteen-year-old Katniss Everdeen accidentally becomes a contender in the annual Hunger Games, a grave competition hosted by the Capitol where young boys and girls are pitted against one another in a televised fight to the death.



Bleach Series by Tite Kubo (graphic novel)

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2010 Suggested Summer Reading Lists

"The road to knowledge begins with the turn of the page." ~Anonymous



The Elmira City School District Library Media Specialists would like to wish you a wonderful summer!

Happy Reading!

Pre-K, Kindergarten & 1st Grades:**Dear Zoo** by Rod Campbell**First the Egg** by Laura Vaccaro Seeger**Reading Makes You Feel****Good** by Todd Parr

Reading makes you feel good because... You can imagine you are a scary dinosaur, You can make someone feel better when they are sick, And you can do it anywhere!

**Caps for Sale** by Esphyr Slobodkina**The Tale of Tricky Fox** by Jim Aylesworth**The Cow who Clucked** by Denise Fleming**Muncha, Muncha, Muncha** by Candace Fleming**Leonardo the Terrible Monster**

by Mo Willems

Leonardo is truly a terrible monster -- terrible at being a monster, that is. Despite his best efforts, he can't seem to frighten anyone. But when he discovers the perfect nervous little boy, will he finally scare the tuna salad out of him? Or will he think of something even better?

Series books:**Fly Guy series** by Tedd Arnold**Duck and Goose series** by Tad Hills**Pigeon, Knuffle Bunny, and Elephant and Piggie series** by Mo Willems**Biscuit series** by Alyssa Capucilli**Biscuit series** by Alyssa Capucilli**Olivia series** by Ian Falconer**2nd and 3rd Grades:****A Dog on his Own** by Mary Jane Auch

K-10 is a cute, spunky dog who thinks he can make it on his own just fine. He has been adopted many times and feels he just wants to be independent. K-10 soon realizes the outside world is more difficult than expected, so he must rely on his new companions, Pearl and Peppy, to survive. In the process, he learns the true meaning of friendship.

My Rows and Piles of Coins by Tololwa M. Mollé

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Marley Goes to School by John Grogan**Aldo Applesauce** by Johanna Hurwitz**Series books:****Henry and Mudge series** by Cynthia Rylant**Black Lagoon series** by Mike Thaler**A 26 Fairmount Avenue Book series**

by Tomie dePaola

1938 was a special year for 5-year old Tomie, because his parents decided to move into a brand-new house being built at 26 Fairmount Avenue. It's exciting to watch his new house be built, but there are all sorts of setbacks, like a flood, a fire, and even a hurricane!

**Rainbow Magic series** by Daisy Meadows**Secrets of Droon series** by Tony Abbott**Magic Treehouse series** by Mary Pope

Osborne

The Time Warp Trio series by Jon Scieszka**4th and 5th Grades:****Aliens are Coming: the true account of the 1938 War of the Worlds Radio Broadcast**

by Meghan McCarthy



This is a true story about the Halloween radio prank that duped much of the country into believing that Martians had invaded. The book uses excerpts from the actual "War of the Worlds" radio broadcast and includes information about the importance of radios in the 1930s (before the time of televisions and computers.)

The Top 10 Ways to Ruin the First Day of 5th Grade by Kenneth Derby**The mostly true adventures of Homer P. Figg** by W. R. Philbrick**Series books:****Percy Jackson and the Olympians series** by Rick Riordan**Brian's Saga series (Hatchet)** by Gary Paulsen**39 Clues series** by various authors including Rick Riordan & Gordon Korman**Baseball Card series** by Dan Gutman**Nightmare Academy series** by Dean Lorey

Charlie discovers that he has the power to bring monsters into our world from the Netherworld -- in fact his power may be the strongest ever -- so he is taken to Nightmare Academy to learn how to control his power and use it to help the Nightmare Division keep the world free of monsters. But once there he accidentally opens a portal to one of the most powerful monsters ever...

