



Lowell Public Schools & Pollard Library
Middle School Summer Reading List 2020



May We Recommend...

Graphic Novels

Akissi by Marguerite Aboutet,
Meg, Jo, Beth, and Amy:: A Modern Retelling of Little Women by Rey Terciero
Cardboard Kingdom by Chad Sell
Sheets by Brenna Thummler
Pashmina by Nidhi Chanani
Edison Beaker Creature Seeker by Frank Cammiuso
Sanity and Tallulah by Molly Brooks

Nonfiction & Poetry

The Girl Who Drew Butterflies by Joyce Sidman
Can I Touch Your Hair?: Poems of Race, Mistakes, and Friendship by Irene Latham
The Year I Didn't Eat by Samuel Pollen
Start Now You Can Make a Difference by Chelsea Clinton

Fantasy & Adventure

Sweep: the story of a girl and her monster by Jonathan Auxier
Monstrous Devices by Daniel Love
Aru Shah and the End of Time by Roshani Chokshi
Dragons in a Bag by Zetta Elliott
Knights vs Dinosaurs by Matt Phelan
The Serpent's Secret by Sayantani DasGupta
The Assassination of Branwain Spurge by M.T. Anderson
The Blue Bottle by Emilie Noelle Provost
Small Spaces by Katherine Ardin

Realistic & Historical Fiction

George by Alex Gino
Ban This Book by Alan Gratz
The Parker Inheritance by
Bruchac
No Fixed Address by
A Dastardly Plot by
Harbor Me by Jacqueline Woodson
Mercy Suarez Changes Gears by Meg Medina
Amal Unbound
Tight by
Hurricane Child by
The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl by
Ghost Boys by
The Bridge Home by
Iby Aberdeen's Letter to the World by
Good Enough by
By Lamar Giles
Front Desk by Kelly Yang

Here are some past favorites! You might also want to read other books by the authors on this list.

<u>Author 's Name</u>	<u>Book Title</u>
Kwame Alexander	<i>Rebound</i>
Avi	<i>Something Upstairs</i>
Tony Abbott	<i>Firegirl</i>
Randa Abdel-Fattah	<i>Does My Head Look Big in This?</i>
Cassie Beasley	<i>Tumble & Blue</i>
Jennifer Bell	<i>The Crooked Sixpence</i>
Betsy Bird (ed)	<i>Funny Girl: Funniest. Stories. Ever</i>
Sage Blackwood	<i>Miss Ellicott's School for the Magically Minded</i>
Emma Carroll	<i>In Darkling Wood</i>
Jack Cheng	<i>See You in the Cosmos</i>
Choi, Sook Nyui	<i>Year of Impossible Goodbyes</i>
Andrew Clements	<i>Janitor's Boy</i>
Barbara Cohen	<i>Thank You, Jackie Robinson</i>
Rachel Cohn	<i>Gingerbread</i>
Leslie Connor	<i>The Truth as Told by Mason Buttle</i>
Caroline Cooney	<i>Code Orange</i>
Sharon Creech	<i>Absolutely Normal Chaos</i>
Sharon Flake	<i>The Skin I'm In</i>
Patrica Giff	<i>Eleven</i>
Carl Hiaasen	<i>Chomp!</i>
Will Hobbs	<i>Crossing the Wire</i>
Silas House	<i>Same Sun Here</i>
Ann Jaramillo	<i>La Linea</i>
Erin Entrada Kelly	<i>Hello, Universe</i>
Thannah Lai	<i>Inside Out and Back Again</i>
Dana Langer	<i>Siren Sisters</i>
Cynthia Lorde	<i>Rules</i>
Mike Lupica	<i>Travel Team</i>
Ann Martin	<i>A Corner of the Universe</i>
Walter Dean Myers	<i>Somewhere in the Darkness</i>
Jennifer Nelson	<i>False Prince</i>
Bill Nye	<i>At the Bottom of the World</i>
RJ Palaccio	<i>Augie and Me: Three Wonder Stories</i>
Jason Reynolds	<i>Ghost & Track Series</i>
Louis Sachar	<i>Holes</i>
Ilyasah Shabazz	<i>Betty Before X</i>
Naomi Shihab Nye	<i>Habibi</i>
Neal Shusterman	<i>The Shadow Club</i>
Jerry Spinelli	<i>The Warden's Daughter</i>
Rebecca Stead	<i>Liar and Spy</i>
Janet Tashjian	<i>My Life as a Book</i>
Natasha Tarpley	<i>Harlem Charade</i>
Yoshiko Uchida	<i>A Jar of Dreams</i>
Dannette Vigilante	<i>The Trouble with Half a Moon</i>
Eric Walters	<i>Walking Home</i>
Rita Williams-Garcia	<i>Clayton Byrd Goes Underground</i>
Jacqueline Woodson	<i>Locomotion</i>

<u>Author's Name</u>	<u>Series Title</u>
Julia Alvarez	<i>Tia Lola</i>
Eoin Colfer	<i>Artemis Fowl</i>
Melissa de la Cruz	<i>Isle of the Lost</i>
Jack Gantos	<i>Joey Pigza</i>
Dan Gutman	<i>Baseball Card</i>
Margaret Peterson Haddix	<i>Shadow Children</i>
Anthony Horowitz	<i>Alex Rider</i>
James Howe	<i>Bunnacula</i>
Brandon Mull	<i>Fable Haven</i>
JK Rowling	<i>Harry Potter</i>

Graphic Novels

<u>Author's Name</u>	<u>Book Title</u>
Raina Telgemeier	<i>Sisters Drama Ghosts/ Smile</i>
Jeff Smith	<i>Bone series</i>
Kazu Kibuishi	<i>Amulet series</i>
Svetlana Chmakova	<i>Awkward Night School</i>
Ransom Riggs	<i>Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children</i>
Jimmy Gownley	<i>The Dumbest Idea Ever!</i>
Jennifer Holm	<i>Sunny Series</i>
Shannon Hale	<i>Real Friends</i>
Ben Hatke	<i>Mighty Jack and the Goblin</i>
Victoria Jamieson	<i>All's Faire in Middle School</i>
Molly Ostertag	<i>The Witch Boy</i>
Jeremy Whitley	<i>Princeless</i>

Non Fiction

<u>Author's Name</u>	<u>Book Title</u>
Gail Herman	<i>Who Was Jackie Robinson</i>
Phillip Hoose	<i>Claudette Colvin: Twice Toward Justice</i>
Deborah Hopkinson	<i>Titanic: Voices from the Disaster</i>
Quang Nhuong Huynh	<i>The Land I Lost</i>
Peter Nelson	<i>Left for Dead: A Young Man's Search for Justice for the USS Indianapolis</i>
Gary Paulsen	<i>Guts</i>
Paul Walker	<i>Pride of Puerto Rico</i>
Roald Dahl	<i>Boy</i>
Deborah Kops	<i>The Great Molasses Flood</i>
Catherine Thimmesh	<i>Girls Think of Everything</i>