

# Newton County Middle Schools

## Summer Reading List

Students must read one (1) book from the list below for the grade level in which they will be enrolled at the beginning of the school year. They must be prepared to complete an assignment given by the Language Arts teacher the first week of school. Two additional books (and assignments) may be completed for extra credit. **In addition, any of the novels on the Quest Summer Reading List may be read to satisfy this requirement.**



| 6 <sup>th</sup>                                 | 7 <sup>th</sup>                                 | 8 <sup>th</sup>                                  |
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| <i>Crispin: At the Edge of the World</i> by Avi | <i>Face on the Milk Carton</i> by Cooney        | <i>Bless Me, Ultima</i> by Anaya                 |
| <i>Slave Dancer</i> by Fox                      | <i>I Heard the Owl Call My Name</i> by Craven   | <i>Fever, 1793</i> by Anderson                   |
| <i>Shadow Children Series</i> by Haddix         | <i>The People Could Fly</i> by Hamilton         | <i>The Midwife's Apprentice</i> by Cushman       |
| <i>House of Dies Drear</i> by Hamilton          | <i>Phoenix Rising</i> by Hesse                  | <i>Summer of My German Soldier</i> by Greene     |
| <i>Esperanza Rising</i> by Ryan                 | <i>Soldier's Heart</i> by Paulsen               | <i>Which Way Freedom</i> by Hansen               |
| <i>The Witch of Blackbird Pond</i> by Speare    | <i>Treasure Island</i> by Stevenson             | <i>The Lottery Rose</i> by Hunt                  |
| <i>Miracle's Boys</i> by Woodson                | <i>The Adventures of Tom Sawyer</i> by Twain    | <i>Touching Spirit Bear</i> by Mikaelson         |
| <i>Bridge to Terabithia</i> by Patterson        | <i>Jacob Have I Loved</i> by Patterson          | <i>The Red Pony</i> by Steinbeck                 |
| <i>Souder</i> by Armstrong                      | <i>Zlata's Diary</i> by Filipovic               | <i>The Outsiders</i> by Hinton                   |
| <i>The Black Pearl</i> by O'Dell                | <i>Shabanu: Daughter of the Wind</i> by Staples | <i>The Road to Memphis</i> by Taylor             |
| <i>On My Honor</i> by Bauer & Kozielski         | <i>Izzy Willy Nilly</i> by Voight               | <i>Nothing but the Truth</i> by Avi              |
| <i>Woodsong</i> by Paulsen                      | <i>The Devil's Arithmetic</i> by Yolen          | <i>Dogsong</i> by Paulsen                        |
| <i>Adam of the Road</i> by Gray & Lawson        | <i>The Sign of the Beaver</i> by Speare         | <i>Savannah</i> by Eugenia Price                 |
| <i>Bloomability</i> by Sharon Creech            |   | <i>Flannery O'Connor: A Biography</i> by Simpson |
|   |   | <i>White Fang</i> by London                      |

### Additional

- Selections:** Any Newbery Award winner or Newbery Honor book from the last 10 years
- Any Coretta Scott King Award winning (novel) from the last 10 years