5TH GRADE: Authors of wonderful fiction books for summer reading:

Tom Angleberger
Katherine Applegate
Pseudonymous Bosch
Michael Buckley
Matt Christopher
Andrew Clements
Roald Dahl
Cynthia DeFelice
Kate DiCamillo
Mary Downing Hahn
Kathleen Duey
Jack Gantos
Chris Grabenstein
Dan Gutman
Carl Hiaasen
Erin Hunter
Liz Kessler
Jeff Kinney
Gordon Korman
A.A. Milne
Sarah Mlynowski
R. J. Palacio
James Patterson
Ridley Pearson
Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
Rick Riordan
Louis Sachar
Brandon Sanderson
Brian Selznick
Lauren Tarshis
Sheila Turnage
Sarah Weeks

6TH GRADE: Authors of wonderful fiction books for summer reading:

Dave Barry
Joan Bauer
Meg Cabot
Gail Carson Levine
Kiera Cass
Eoin Colfer
Suzanne Collins
Jean Craighead George
Sharon Creech
Karen Cushman
Chris D'Lacey
Jeanne DuPrau
John Flanagan
Stuart Gibbs
Tim Green
Jennifer Holm
James Howe
Erin Hunter
Derek Jeter
Kathryn Lasky
Trenton Lee Stewart
Lois Lowry
Mike Lupica
Wendy Mass
Lisa McMann
Kirsten Miller
Kate O'Hearn
Christopher Paolini
Linda Sue Park
Gary Paulsen
Ridley Pearson
Margaret Peterson Haddix
J K Rowling
Holly Goldberg Sloan
Roland Smith
Rebecca Stead
Mark Walden
Casey Middle School – 2019
7th, 8th, and 9R Summer Reading Assignments
See your grade level below:

English 7 Author/Genre Study: Incoming seventh graders must choose one of the genres and authors below. If you see an author on the list whose work you enjoy, do not choose a novel you've already read. We expect you to select another one. The first week of school will center on classroom activities based on students' summer reading. All students must also complete the story guide that was given to them in June. This letter and the story guide may also be viewed on the Williamsville Central Schools website. The link is: www.williamsvillek12.org and then click on Casey Middle School.

English 8 Author/Genre Study: Incoming eighth graders must choose one of the genres and authors below. If you see an author on the list whose work you enjoy, do not choose a novel you've already read. We expect you to select another one. The first week of school will center on classroom activities based on students' summer reading. All students must also complete the story guide that was given to them in June. This letter and the story guide may also be viewed on the Williamsville Central Schools website. The link is: www.williamsvillek12.org and then click on Casey Middle School.

English 9R: See the next page for your assignment.

Incoming 7th and 8th graders:

**Adventure**
- Joelle Charbonneau
- Suzanne Collins
- Sharon Creech
- James Dashner
- Anthony Horowitz
- Margaret Peterson Haddix
- Jennifer Neilsen
- Veronica Roth

**Science Fiction/Fantasy**
- Ally Condie
- James Dashner
- Catherine Fisher
- Michael Grant
- Pittacus Lore
- James Patterson
- Scott Westerfeld
- Gabrielle Zevin

**Contemporary Realistic Fiction**
- Walter Dean Meyers
- Sarah Dessen
- Carl Deuker
- Natasha Friend
- Laurie Halse Anderson
- Mike Lupica
- Todd Strasser
- Terry Trueman

**Historical Fiction**
- M.T. Anderson
- Laurie Halse Anderson
- Linda Sue Park
- Margaret Peterson Haddix
- Ruta Sepetys
- Markus Zusak
English 9R

Incoming eighth graders taking the advanced English course must read one of the memoirs listed below. If you see a book on the list that you've already read, we expect you to select another one. The first week of school will center on classroom activities based on students' summer reading. All students must also complete the story guide that was given to them in June. This letter and the story guide may also be viewed on the Williamsville Central Schools website. The link is: www.williamsvillek12.org and then click on Casey Middle School.

*I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* by Maya Angelou  
*The Color of Water: A Black Man's Tribute to His White Mother* by James McBride  
*First They Killed My Father: A Daughter of Cambodia Remembers* by Loung Ung  
*A Long Way Gone: Memoirs of a Boy Soldier* by Ishmael Beah  
*The Diary of a Young Girl* by Anne Frank  
*Into Thin Air: A Personal Account of the Mount Everest Disaster* by Jon Krakauer

*Both these memoirs are available to be borrowed from Ms. Marmion. See her before you leave for the summer!*
Suggested Non-Fiction Titles for Middle School Students (5th – 8th Grade):

The following list contains suggested non-fiction titles for middle school students. Please keep in mind that parents are best to judge a book's suitability for their child.

Who Was...? Series – Biographies - various authors

What Was...? Series – Exploring places around the world – various authors

Harriet Tubman, Secret Agent – Thomas Allen

The Skull in the Rock – Marc Aronson

If Stones Could Speak: Unlocking the Secrets of Stonehenge – Marc Aronson

Terrible Typhoid Mary – Susan Campbell Bartoletti

Spies of the Mississippi – Rick Bowers

The Boys in the Boat – Adapted for Young Readers – Daniel James Brown

Tracking Trash: Flotsam, Jetsam and the Science of Ocean Motion – Loree Griffin Burns

Gettysburg: The Graphic Novel – C. M. Butzer

In the Shadow of Liberty – Kenneth C. Davis

Pure Grit – Mary Cronk Farrell

Phineas Gage: A Gruesome but True Story about Brain Science – John Fleischman

Titanic: Voices from the Disaster – Deborah Hopkinson

To Hope and Back – Kathy Kacer

The Making of America: Andrew Jackson – Teri Kanefield

Chinese Cinderella: The True Story of an Unwanted Daughter – Adeline Yen Mah

The Soul of an Octopus – Sy Montgomery

Ten Days a Mad Woman – Deborah Noyes

Lincoln's Last Days – Bill O'Reilly

Witches: The Absolutely True Tale of Disaster in Salem – Rosalyn Schanzer

The Notorious Benedict Arnold – Steve Sheinkin

Almost Astronauts – Tanya Lee Stone

Secrets of a Civil War Submarine – Sally Walker

Big Top Burning – Laura A. Woollett

I Am Malala – Malala Yousafzai and Christina Lamb