



# GOWANDA CENTRAL SCHOOL

*Learning, Caring, Excelling*

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June 2026

Dear Parent(s) and/or Guardians:

It is my pleasure to introduce myself as your child's seventh grade English Language Arts teacher. I am looking forward to working with each and every future seventh grader. In preparation for next year, each student must read, The Outsider's by S.E. Hinton over the summer break. We will be completing a written response to this novel during the first week of school in September. This book may be borrowed from the Collins Public Library, the Gowanda Public Library, or the Seneca Nation Public Library. It may also be purchased at Barnes & Noble, or on-line at Amazon.com.

If a student is interested in completing additional summer reading (for their own edification) here are some ideas:

**Suggested Reading List:**

- My Side of the Mountain Jean Craighead George
- Peak by Roland Smith
- Guts by Gary Paulsen
- Walk Two Moons by Sharon Creech
- So B. It by Sarah Weeks
- Stargirl by Jerry Spinelli

Again, I look forward to a wonderful year with the upcoming seventh graders. I wish each of you a safe and happy summer!

Sincerely,

*Mrs. Perry*

Mrs. Cathleen Perry