



SOUTHFIELD SCHOOL SUMMER READING LIST 2021

Lower School

Students entering 1st grade:

Reading to young children is a superb way to prepare them for school. We encourage parents to provide a daily reading time for their children during the summer. The number of interesting writers and illustrators for this age group is very large. **Some suggestions are listed below.**

Frog and Toad (any of these books)-A. Lobel
Biscuit (any of these books)-Capucilli
Any books by Ezra Jack Keats
Any books by Mo Willems
Shel Silverstein poetry books

Little Bear (any of these books)-Minarik
Puppy Mudge (any of these books)-Rylant
Any books by Eric Carle
National Geographic Leveled Readers
Any books by Dr. Seuss

Students entering 2nd grade:

Emerging readers should spend a minimum of 15 minutes per day reading independently. As children move from beginning to independent readers, it is important to remember that they still need and enjoy having an adult read aloud to them. **Some suggestions are listed below.**

Owl Diaries (any of these books)-Elliot
Mercy Watson (any of these books)-DiCamillo
Ivy and Bean (any of these books)-Barrows
Rainbow Magic Fairies (any of these books)-Meadows
Any books by Dan Gutman

Bad Guys-Blabey
Nate the Great-Sharmat
Stink-McDonald
Diary of a Wimpy Kid-Kinney
Animal Disguises-Weber

Students entering 3rd grade:

Please read the summer reading books before school resumes in August; students will complete three projects based on these books.

Please read **one** of the following chapter books:

Stone Fox-Gardiner

Muggie Maggie-Cleary

Freckle Juice-Blume

Please read **two** of the following books:

Dandelions-Bunting

Lewis and Clark: Explorers of the West-Kroll

Eight Dolphins of Katrina-Coleman

National Geographic Kids Ancient Egypt-Drimmer

Students entering 4th grade:

Please read any **two** of the following chapter books:

The Mouse and the Motorcycle-Cleary

Frindle-Clements

The Boxcar Children, Bk. 1-Warner

Trumpet of the Swan-White

AND at least **one** Patricia Polacco book (any one is fine). Some suggestions are:

Babushka's Doll *Chicken Sunday* *Pink Say* *Rechenka's Eggs*

Picnic at Mudsock Meadow *Thank You, Mr. Falker* *Mr. Lincoln's Way*



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Middle School

Students entering 5th grade:

Please read the summer reading books before school resumes in August.

Required reading: *The Case of the Mistaken Identity*-Barnett

Students should choose and read **two (2)** additional books from the following list:

Shiloh-Naylor

Al Capone Does My Shirts-Choldenko

There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom-Sachar

Holes-Sachar

The Borrowers-Norton

Pippi Longstocking-Lindgren

Students entering 6th grade:

Please read the summer reading books before school resumes in August.

Required reading: *Wonder* (original story) (Palacio)

In addition, select and read any **two (2)** of the following books:

Dying to Meet You-Klise

Where the Red Fern Grows-Rawls

Out of My Mind-Draper

The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe -Lewis

Some More Than Others-Watson

Athlete vs. Mathlete-Mack

Once Was a Time-Sales

Michael Vey #1-Evans

Forget Me Not-Terry

Students entering 7th grade:

Please read the summer reading books before school resumes in August.

Required reading: *Nothing But the Truth*-Avi

Someplace to Call Home-Dallas

In addition, select **one (1)** title from the Louisiana Young Readers' Choice 2021 List. Any graphic novels on this list may **NOT** be read as a Summer Reading selection.

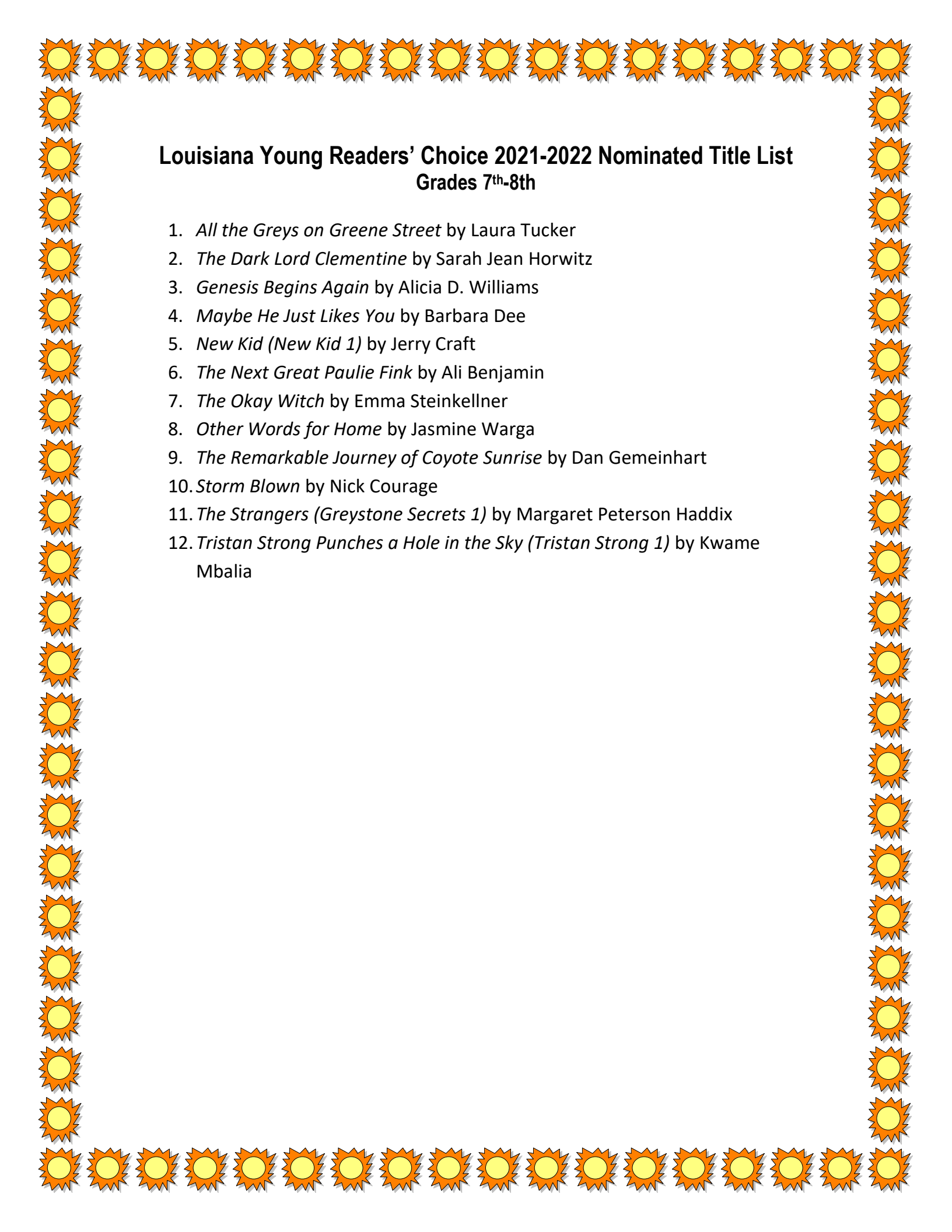
Students entering 8th grade:

Please read the summer reading books before school resumes in August.

Required reading: *Gathering Blue*-Lowry

Miss Spitfire: Reaching Helen Keller-Miller

In addition, select **one (1)** title from the Louisiana Young Readers' Choice 2021 List. Any graphic novels on this list may **NOT** be read as a Summer Reading selection.



Louisiana Young Readers' Choice 2021-2022 Nominated Title List Grades 7th-8th

1. *All the Greys on Greene Street* by Laura Tucker
2. *The Dark Lord Clementine* by Sarah Jean Horwitz
3. *Genesis Begins Again* by Alicia D. Williams
4. *Maybe He Just Likes You* by Barbara Dee
5. *New Kid (New Kid 1)* by Jerry Craft
6. *The Next Great Paulie Fink* by Ali Benjamin
7. *The Okay Witch* by Emma Steinkellner
8. *Other Words for Home* by Jasmine Warga
9. *The Remarkable Journey of Coyote Sunrise* by Dan Gemeinhart
10. *Storm Blown* by Nick Courage
11. *The Strangers (Greystone Secrets 1)* by Margaret Peterson Haddix
12. *Tristan Strong Punches a Hole in the Sky (Tristan Strong 1)* by Kwame Mbalia