

St. Theresa Catholic School
Summer Reading/ELA Requirements
Students Entering Grades 6-8

Our summer reading program aims to foster the love of reading in our students by offering as much choice as possible in the books they read. There are three parts to the 2024 middle school summer reading program.

Part 1:

Students must **read three books**. One book is the required book for their grade level listed below. The other two books can be personal choice books that have not been read before but must be a minimum of 180 pages long (No graphic novels!).

Parents, looking for reliable book reviews for your child's choice? Check out www.PluggedIn.com, a ministry of Focus on the Family, for book reviews and suggestions.

Part 2:

Students must write a two to three paragraph summary for each of the free choice books they read. The summary must include the **characters, setting, conflict, and plot**. These summaries are due the first day of school.

Part 3:

Students will complete an in-class project during the first week of school focusing on: **characters, setting, conflict, plot, and theme**. Students will create their project for the novel they choose from the required reading list below.

Students should bring a copy of the book as well as brief, hand-written notes on each of the five elements listed to class on the first day of school.

- 6th grade required read:
[The Minor Miracle: The Amazing Adventures of Noah Minor by Meredith Davis](#)

- 7th grade required read:
[The Eyes & the Impossible by Dave Eggers](#)

- 8th grade required read:
[Unplugged by Gordon Korman](#)

If your child is attending a Reading/ELA Summer Camp Class offered by Brophy High School, they are only required to read the book listed for their grade level and write a two to three paragraph summary. (This includes the characters, setting, conflict, and plot.) This summary, along with a copy of the book, should be brought to class on the first day of school. In addition, please bring the Certificate of Completion (provided by Brophy) as proof of the completed class. The required books are as follows:

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