



## Sixth Grade Summer Reading Program

Dear Parents,

Summer has finally arrived, and we know you and your family are ready for some rest and relaxation time. We are encouraging our students to include some recreational reading time. Studies have proven that children who read during the summer months have stronger reading and comprehension skills when they return to school in the fall.

Judice Middle School is continuing a new, voluntary, summer reading program. We want to develop enthusiasm and a love of reading. We are asking for your help.

After your child finishes a book, he or she should record it on the reading log on the back of this sheet. Teachers will collect the logs at the beginning of the school year. A special celebration with prizes and refreshments will be held for those students who read **four** books during the summer. Additional rewards will be given to those who read more.

Below is a list of suggested books from our students and teachers. Students are free to read **OTHER** books not on this list that are on or near their recreational reading level.

Again, we wish you a safe summer filled with rest, relaxation, and lots of wonderful reading!

### Summer Reading List

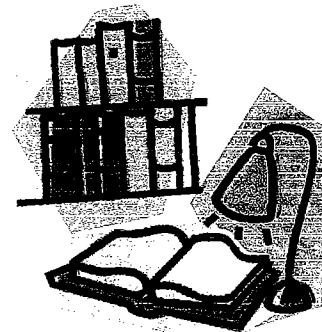
*The Cay*-(Theodore Taylor)  
*Esperanza Rising*-(Pam Munoz Ryan)  
*Island of the Blue Dolphins*-(Scott O'Dell)  
*Hatchet*-(Gary Paulsen)  
*Tight End*-(Matthew Christopher)  
*Crossing Jordan*-(Adrian Fogelin)  
*My Louisiana Sky*-(Kimberly Willis Holt)  
*Watership Down*-(Richard Adams)  
*Pictures of Hollis Woods*-(Patricia Reilly Giff)  
*Belle Prater's Boy*-(Ruth White)  
*Brian's Winter*-(Gary Paulsen)  
*Canyons*-(Gary Paulsen)  
*Lyddie*-(Katherine Paterson)  
*The Slave Dancer*-(Paula Fox)  
*That Was Then, This Is Now*-(S. E. Hinton)  
*Baby-sitting is a Dangerous Job*-(Willo Davis Roberts)  
*Walk Two Moons*-(Sharon Creech)  
*The Westing Game*-(Ellen Raskin)  
*Where the Red Fern Grows*-(Wilson Rawls)  
*Whirligig*-(Paul Fleischman)  
*Out of the Dust*-(Karen Hesse)  
*Sing Down the Moon*-(Scott O'Dell)  
*Summer of the Monkeys*-(Wilson Rawls)  
*Swallowing Stones*-(Joyce McDonald)  
*The Hobbit*-(J. R. R. Tolkien)  
*Fever 1793*-(Laurie Halse Anderson)  
*The Ear, the Eye, and the Arm*-(Nancy Farmer)  
*Joey Pigza Swallowed the Key*-(Jack Gantos)  
*Hoot*-(Carl Hiaasen)

### Summer Reading

#### Tips

#### for Parents

- Get your child a library card to use.
- Get involved in the public library's summer reading program.
- Appreciate all books your child selects, even ones that seem too "easy."
- Be a reader yourself.
- Help your child set a realistic goal for the summer.
- Reward your child for meeting his or her goal.





# Judice Middle School Summer Reading Log

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ **READ AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE!!**

Enter each book you read in the chart. Have a parent sign after you finish each book.

Title	Author	Date Started	Date Finished	Summary (What is the book about?)	Response (What did you think of the book?)	Parent Signature