

8th Grade Summer Reading

Each student must read the following **two books**:

1. Their **Middle School Summer Book Club selection**.. The goal of this Middle School Book Club is to enjoy reading a story with diverse characters and exciting plotlines that will spark lively discussions in cross-grade groups. Each student is responsible for borrowing or purchasing their own audio or hard copy of their chosen book. There is no required assignment. Book groups will meet to discuss opinions, favorite scenes and characters within the first few weeks of school.
2. ***Never Caught, The Story of Ona Judge*** by Erica Armstrong Dunbar, Kathleen Van Cleve: Each student was given a copy of this book and a reading guide to be completed as they read. [Linked here](#) is part of the introduction the students received, with specific notes about the use of language. Students are required to read the first eighteen chapters and annotate the required questions, which are posted to their seventh grade social studies Google Classroom. Reading this book over the summer will allow eighth grade to hit the ground running in the fall from where we left off in the American Revolution moving into the early Republic era.

In addition to the titles above, we hope that students will read a variety of books that represent several different genres throughout the summer.

We look forward to welcoming you back in September!

Happy Reading,
The Middle School Team