Dear Appoquinimink Families,

We here in the Appoquinimink School District believe that reading is an important component of literacy and that students who read during the summer will arrive next school year with an increased mental sharpness. Our team of middle school and public librarians have worked together to create a task and supplementary activities that we believe will be both engaging and instructive for students. Students simply need to pick a book they’re interested in – any book - and read it! Books can be found all over town: in your house, at the public library, borrowed from a friend or neighbor, given away by our Words on Wheels Appoquinimink Book Mobile, Little Free Libraries (Google it!), and available for purchase online and in stores. Apps like Audible and Libby are also an option for students who prefer to listen to the book.

As students read this summer, they should be sure to read carefully as they may be asked to discuss their books upon their return to school in the fall. Be sure to visit your middle school’s website for specific information about any additional required tasks.

We also recognize that reading a book isn’t the only way to increase literacy. Therefore, we’ve put together an optional Passport to Literacy activity to help expose your child to other forms of written, visual, cultural, and digital literacy. These activities are designed to be free or very low cost, local, and enriching for the whole family. Especially be sure to stop by our Summer Book Club at the Appoquinimink Community Public Library on July 16th and August 13th! “Stamps” earned on the Passport could result in prizes for your student when they return in the fall.

Thank you for helping to encourage literacy for your student and our community! Please don’t hesitate to reach out to any of your school librarians with questions, and be sure to visit the public library for assistance over the summer. Happy Reading!

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2019
SUMMER WITH THE LIBRARY
A UNIVERSE OF STORIES
JUNE 1-AUGUST 17

Who: Ages Birth-17
   (Adults, check at your library to see how you can get in on the fun!)

Where: You may register at only 1 New Castle County Library.

Incentives:
   - **10 hours**: free book, certificate, and 2 tickets to a Blue Rocks baseball game
   - **30 hours**: tote bag or another free book
   - **50 hours**: another free book and 1 entry for a raffle to be awarded at the conclusion of Summer with the Library
   - For every **20 hours** past your initial 50 hours you will get another raffle ticket for the end of summer raffle for your age group.

One raffle for each age group, 0-2; 3-5; 6-8; 9-11; 12+.

Time logs **must** be presented in order to receive book prizes.

Register & track online at ncode.beanstack.org

Appoquinimink Community Library
651 N. Broad St., Middletown 19709
(302) 378-5588
nccdelib.org/appoquinimink
Appo District Middle School Summer Reading Book Ideas

Your task this summer is to read any book you want that is age appropriate and which you enjoy! This list is only here in case you want a suggestion.

** These titles are not specifically endorsed by the Appoquinimink School District nor have they all been read by school librarians and staff. These titles were gathered from recommended reading lists from the American Library Association, the New Castle County public library, popular titles within our district schools, with some staff recommendations sprinkled in. Please be sure to select a book this summer that is both interesting to your child and acceptable for your family values. **

Books given various awards by the American Library Association!

A Few Red Drops: The Chicago Race Riot of 1919 by Claire Hartfield
All American Boys by Jason Reynolds and Brendan Kiely
As Brave as You by Jason Reynolds
Blood Water Paint by Joy McCullough
Boots on the Ground: America’s War in Vietnam by Elizabeth Partridge
brown girl dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson
Check, Please!: #Hockey written and illustrated by Ngozi Ukazu
Children of Blood and Bone by Tomi Adeyemi
Crown: An Ode to the Fresh Cut by Derrick Barnes
Darius the Great Is Not Okay by Adib Khorram
Dear Martin by Nic Stone
Devils Within by S.F. Henson
Echo by Pam Muñoz Ryan
El Deafo by Cece Bell
Enchanted Air: Two Cultures, Two Wings: A Memoir by Margarita Engle
Finding Langston by Lesa Cline-Ransome
First Flight Around the World: The Adventures of the American Fliers Who Won the Race by Tim Grove
Freedom Over Me: Eleven Slaves, Their Lives and Dreams Brought to Life by Ashley Bryan
Gabi, a Girl in Pieces by Isabel Quintero
Hello, Universe by Erin Entrada Kelly
Hey, Kiddo: How I Lost My Mother, Found My Father, and Dealt with Family Addiction written and illustrated by Jarrett J. Krosoczka
Hillary Rodham Clinton: A Woman Living History by Karen Blumenthal
How I Discovered Poetry by Marilyn Nelson
How It Went Down by Kekla Magoon
I Lived on Butterfly Hill by Marjorie Agosín
Ida M. Tarbell: The Woman Who Challenged Big Business—and Won! by Emily Arnold McCully
In the Shadow of Liberty: The Hidden History of Slavery, Four Presidents, and Five Black Lives by Kenneth C. Davis
Juana & Lucas written and illustrated by Juana Medina
Laughing at My Nightmare by Shane Burcaw
Long Way Down by Jason Reynolds
Lucky Broken Girl by Ruth Behar
Mango, Abuela, and Me by Meg Medina
March: Book Three by John Lewis, Andrew Aydin and Nate Powell
Merci Suárez Changes Gears by Meg Medina
Most Dangerous: Daniel Ellsberg and the Secret History of the Vietnam War written by Steve Sheinkin
Piecing Me Together by Renée Watson
Popular: Vintage Wisdom for a Modern Geek by Maya Van Wagenen
Portraits of Hispanic American Heroes by Juan Felipe Herrera
Rain Reign by Ann M. Martin
Saints and Misfits by S.K. Ali
Samurai Rising: The Epic Life of Minamoto Yoshitsune by Pamela S. Turner
Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda by Becky Albertalli
Starfish by Akemi Dawn Bowman
Symphony for the City of the Dead: Dmitri Shostakovich and the Siege of Leningrad by M.T. Anderson
The Beloved World of Sonia Sotomayor by Sonia Sotomayor
The Book of Boy by Catherine Gilbert Murdock
The Boy in the Black Suit by Jason Reynolds
The Collectors by Jacqueline West
The Crossover by Kwame Alexander
The Epic Fail of Arturo Zamora by Pablo Cartaya
The Faithful Spy: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Plot to Kill Hitler written and illustrated by John Hendrix
The Family Romanov: Murder, Rebellion & the Fall of Imperial Russia by Candace Fleming
The First Rule of Punk by Celia C. Pérez
The Girl Who Drank the Moon by Kelly Barnhill
The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas
The Inquisitor’s Tale: Or, The Three Magical Children and Their Holy Dog by Adam Gidwitz
The Night Diary by Veera Hiranandani
The Only Road by Alexandra Diaz
The Parker inheritance by Varian Johnson
The Poet X by Elizabeth Acevedo
The Port Chicago 50: Disaster, Mutiny, and the Fight for Civil Rights by Steve Sheinkin
Books recommended by your three middle school librarians!

A Blind Guide to Stinkville by Beth Vrabel
A Girl Named Disaster by Nancy Farmer
A mango-shaped space by Wendy Mass
All the Broken Pieces: a novel in verse by Ann E. Burg
Amina’s Voice by Hena Khan
Between Shades of Gray by Ruta Sepety
Chains Trilogy by Laurie Halse Anderson
Connect the Stars by David Teague and Marisa de los Santos
Danny the Champion of the World by Roald Dahl
Drama by Raina Telgemeier
Drums, Girls, and Dangerous Pie by Jordan Sonnenblick
Eon: Dragooneye reborn by Alison Goodman
Fish in a Tree by Lynda Mullaly Hunt
Flying Lessons & Other Stories edited by Ellen Oh
Ghost: Track series by Jason Reynolds
Ghosts by Raina Telgemeier
Harlem Summer by Walter Dean Myers
Home of the Brave by Katherine Applegate
I’m Being Stalked by a Moonshadow by Doug MacLeod
Irena’s Children: Young Readers Edition by Tilar J. Mazzeo
Kensuke’s Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo
Leaving Protection by Will Hobbs
Leon’s Story by Leon Tillage
Leviathan by Scott Westerfeld
Macy McMillan and the Rainbow Goddess by Shari Green
Maximum Ride Series by James Patterson
Moon Girl and Devil Dinosaur by Brandon Montclare
Moribito: Guardian of the Spirit by Uehashi Nahoko
Nimona by Noelle Stevenson
One Crazy Summer by Rita Williams-Garcia

Series recommended by your three middle school librarians!

Bone by Jeff Smith
Cinder by Marissa Meyer
Harry Potter by J.K. Rowling
Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins
I funny by James Patterson
I.Q. by Roland Smith
Legend by Marie Lu

One Last Word: Wisdom from the Harlem Renaissance by Nikki Grimes
Out of My Mind by Sharon Draper
Proud: Living my American Dream by Ibtihaj Muhammad
Red Kayak Trilogy by Priscilla Cummings
Refugee by Alan Gratz
Restart by Gordon Korman
Roller Girl by Victoria Jamieson
Rules by Cynthia Lord
Salt to the Sea by Ruta Sepety
Skeleton Creek by Patrick Carman
Smile and Sisters by Raina Telgemeier
Something Wicked This Way Comes by Ray Bradbury
Tangerine by Edward Bloom
The Bloody Jack series by L. A. Meyer
The Fault in our Stars by John Green
The Forgetting by Sharon Cameron
The Grand Plan to Fix Everything by Uma Krishnaswami
The Great Wide Sea by M. H. Herlong
The London Eye Mystery by Siobhan Dowd
The Midnight Driver by Jordan Sonnenblick
The True Meaning of Smekday by Adam Rex
The Wall: growing up behind the Iron Curtain by Peter Sis
The War That Saved My Life by Kimberley Brubaker Bradley
The Westing Game by Ellen Raskin
Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain
When You Reach Me by Rebecca Stead
Wonder by R.J. Palacio

Lorian Legacies by Pittacus Lore
Red Queen by Victoria Aveyard
Ruby Redfort by Lauren Child
Testing by Joelle Charbonneau
The Thief by Megan Whalen Turner
Tiffany Aching by Sir Terry Pratchett
**Appo School District Middle School Optional Summer Passport to Literacy!**

In addition to their summer reading assignment, students who choose to earn at least six “stamps” on their Passport to Literacy will receive extra prizes at the beginning of the 2019-20 school year. These activities are designed to build literacy in many forms through the summer months, while also exploring the exciting options available right here in our MOT area!

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<td>Boxes can be signed or stamped by personnel at the various places you may visit, or by a parent/guardian.</td>
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<td>Sign up for a DE public library card (or verify that you already have one)</td>
<td>Enroll in the New Castle County Public Library “Summer (Reading) With the Library” program</td>
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<td>Visit a museum to see an exhibit.</td>
<td>The Gilbert “Gibby” W. Perry Center for the Arts is right here in town!</td>
<td>51 W Main St, Middletown</td>
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<td>Visit the Middletown Historical Society (216 N. Broad St. – Middletown)</td>
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<td>Write a letter to local author David Teague (look him up – he’s cool!)</td>
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<td>Email: <a href="mailto:teague@udel.edu">teague@udel.edu</a></td>
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<td>Learn more about other cultures and countries!</td>
<td>Attend the Appo District’s Middle School Summer Reading Club. Meets in the multi-purpose room at the Appoquinimink Community Library (651 N Broad St #101 – Middletown) on July 16th and August 13th from 2-3 pm. Middle school students only – activities and time to talk about your books with your school librarians and friends!</td>
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<td>- Read a book about a folk or fairy tale from a culture or country different than your own.</td>
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<td>- Google “Own Voices” books and see if any of them strike your fancy.</td>
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