

2025 Summer Reading Students Entering Grade 7

- Students entering Grade 7 are expected to read 1 book over the summer.
- The choice of books is listed below.
- August 29, 2025: Students will turn in their Book Report to their English teachers and will be counted as a formative assessment.

Summer Reading 2025:

- Each grade level has a selection of books assigned, and students can choose a book from the selection that they feel most interesting.
- The books assigned can be obtained from the Fall River library and other public libraries located either in/near the town you live in.

Access to Summer Reading Books:

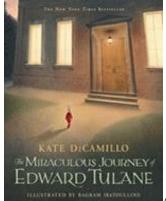
• Summer Reading books are available through the Fall River Public Library, Learning Ally or by purchasing from Amazon.

Grade Level Book Choices:

6th Grade to 7th Grade:

Kate DiCamillo Collection of Books:

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo (Learning Ally)

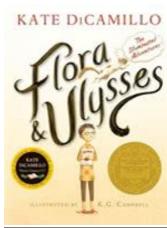


A New York Times bestseller!

A classic tale by Newbery Medalist Kate DiCamillo, America's beloved storyteller.

Once, in a house on Egypt Street, there lived a china rabbit named Edward Tulane. The rabbit was very pleased with himself, and for good reason: he was owned by a girl named Abilene, who adored him completely. And then, one day, he was lost.... Kate DiCamillo takes us on an extraordinary journey, from the depths of the ocean to the net of a fisherman, from the bedside of an ailing child to the bustling streets of Memphis. Along the way, we are shown a miracle — that even a heart of the most breakable kind can learn to love, to lose, and to love again.

Flora & Ulysses by Kate DiCamillo (Learning Ally)

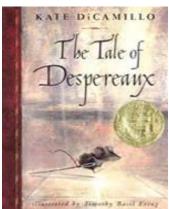


Winner of the 2014 Newbery Medal

A New York Times bestseller!

Holy unanticipated occurrences! A cynic meets an unlikely superhero in a genre-breaking novel by master storyteller Kate DiCamillo. It begins, as the best superhero stories do, with a tragic accident that has unexpected consequences. The squirrel never saw the vacuum cleaner coming, but self-described cynic Flora Belle Buckman, who has read every issue of the comic book *Terrible Things Can Happen to You!*, is the just the right person to step in and save him. What neither can predict is that Ulysses (the squirrel) has been born anew, with powers of strength, flight, and misspelled poetry — and that Flora will be changed too, as she discovers the possibility of hope and the promise of a capacious heart. From #1 *New York Times* best-selling author Kate DiCamillo comes a laugh-out-loud story filled with eccentric, endearing characters and featuring an exciting format — a novel interspersed with comic-style graphic sequences and full-page illustrations, all rendered in black-and-white by artist K.G. Campbell.

_The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo (on Learning Ally)



A #1 New York Times bestseller!

A brave mouse, a covetous rat, a wishful serving girl, and a princess named Pea come together in Kate DiCamillo's Newbery Medal—winning tale.

Welcome to the story of Despereaux Tilling, a mouse who is in love with music, stories, and a princess named Pea. It is also the story of a rat called Roscuro, who lives in the darkness and covets a world filled with light. And it is the story of Miggery Sow, a slow-witted serving girl who harbors a simple, impossible wish. These three characters are about to embark on a journey that will lead them down into a horrible dungeon, up into a glittering castle, and, ultimately, into each other's lives. What happens then? As Kate DiCamillo would say: Reader, it is your destiny to find out.

<u> Recause of Winn-Dixie by Kate DiCamillo (Learning Ally)</u>

The #1 New York Times bestseller and beloved classic includes an afterword from the author and an introduction by Ann Patchett.

One summer's day, ten-year-old India Opal Buloni goes down to the local supermarket for some groceries—and comes home with a dog. But Winn-Dixie is no ordinary dog. It's because of Winn-Dixie that Opal begins to make friends. And it's because of Winn-Dixie that she finally dares to ask her father about her mother, who left when Opal was three. In fact, as Opal admits, just about *everything* that happens that summer is because of Winn-Dixie.

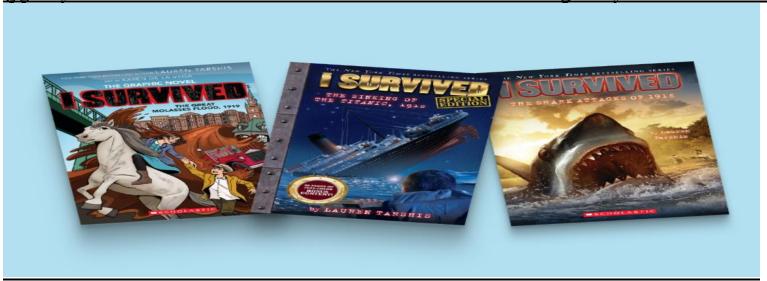
"This book is (I hope) a hymn of praise to dogs, friendship, and the South," Kate DiCamillo said of her best-selling debut novel, which has been awarded a Newbery Honor, translated into nearly thirty languages, and turned into a major motion picture. The story of a preacher's daughter named Opal whose life is transformed by a scruffy dog named Winn-Dixie continues to touch the hearts of readers of all ages.

The Tiger Rising by Kate DiCamillo (Learning Ally)

A National Book Award finalist by Newbery Medalist Kate DiCamillo. Walking through the misty Florida woods one morning, twelve-year-old Rob Horton is stunned to encounter a tiger—a real-life, very large tiger—pacing back and forth in a cage. What's more, on the same extraordinary day, he meets Sistine Bailey, a girl who shows her feelings as readily as Rob hides his. As they learn to trust each other, and ultimately, to be friends, Rob

and Sistine prove that some things—like memories, heartache, and tigers—can't be locked up forever. Featuring a cover illustration by Stephen Walton.

Many Book from the I Survived Series: Located on Learning Alley for Audio Version



MA Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle (Learning Ally)



MARKUS ZUSAK
ANDER STREET STREET

I AM THE
MESSENGER

This is Book 1 of the Time Quintet Series

It was a dark and stormy night; Meg Murry, her small brother Charles Wallace, and her mother had come down to the kitchen for a midnight snack when they were upset by the arrival of a most disturbing stranger.

"Wild nights are my glory," the unearthly stranger told them. "I just got caught in a downdraft and blown off course. Let me sit down for a moment, and then I'll be on my way. Speaking of ways, by the way, there is such a thing as a tesseract." A tesseract (in case the reader doesn't know) is a wrinkle in time. To tell more would rob the reader of the enjoyment of Miss L'Engle's unusual book. A Wrinkle in Time, winner of the Newbery Medal in 1963, is the story of the adventures in space and time of Meg, Charles Wallace, and Calvin O'Keefe (athlete, student, and one of the most popular boys in high school).

I Am The Messenger by Markus Zusak (Author) (Learning Alley)

From the author of the extraordinary #1 New York Times bestseller The Book Thief, I Am the Messenger is an acclaimed novel filled with laughter, fists, and love.

Ed Kennedy is an underage cabdriver without much of a future. He's pathetic at playing cards, hopelessly in love with his best friend, Audrey, and utterly devoted to his coffee-drinking dog, the Doorman. His life is one of peaceful routine and incompetence until he inadvertently stops a bank robbery.