

## Rye Middle School Eighth Grade Summer Reading

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Dear Rye Middle School Students, Parents, and Guardians:

Welcome to the eighth grade! Summer reading is an important activity for intellectual growth and development. It encourages students to continue learning while providing fun and enjoyment. What helps make reading entertaining for children is allowing them the freedom to choose books that speak to their unique interests.

Students should not select books they have previously read. We encourage students to read two or more books of their choosing. With the direction of a parent or other adult family member, students should select books at or above their reading level.

Instead of a finite list of books, we are including resources below to help you find amazing books to read. We also are recommending a few favorites, but please understand that the titles are just some ideas for reading. We encourage you and your family to find your own favorites.

We wish you a summer of happy reading!

Sincerely,  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade English Teachers

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### Resources for Selecting Summer Reading Books:



#### [The Rye Free Reading Room:](#)

Our local library offers book suggestions, and exciting teen programs. Students should log their reading on the library's READsquared app to earn prizes and share book reviews. [Click here](#) for their summer reading website.



#### [The Young Adult Library Services Association \(YALSA\):](#)

YALSA compiles a list of recommended titles every five years. The list is divided into five categories, and is a combination of fiction, nonfiction, and poetry. [Click here](#) for a list of the top 25 books for teens in 2021, nominated by teens and compiled by YALSA.



#### [New York Times Bestseller Lists \(for young adult books and middle grade book selections\)](#)

Thousands of retailers report unit sales to generate these weekly lists by one of our nation's top newspapers.

# Summer Reading Bingo

<p>Read a realistic fiction book</p> 	<p>Share aloud a book, story, or article</p> 	<p>Explore a blog about a place you would like to visit</p> 	<p>Find a picture book to read to a child</p> 	<p>Read a nonfiction</p> 
<p>Find and research a current event</p> 	<p>Visit a bookstore</p> 	<p>Draw a picture about a book</p> 	<p>Record or write a book review</p> 	<p>Visit the Rye Free Reading Room</p> 
<p>Relax in a comfy spot and read</p> 	<p>Read a book told in verse</p> 	<p>Read a book of your choice (required square)</p> 	<p>Write a poem about a book</p> 	<p>Make a bookmark for your book</p> 
<p>Talk to an adult about a book</p> 	<p>Create a music playlist for your book</p> 	<p>Go outside and read</p> 	<p>Take a vacation selfie with your book</p> 	<p>Watch a movie version of a book you've read</p> 
<p>Read a Newbery Award Winning Book</p> 	<p>Watch a book trailer</p> 	<p>Create a food dish mentioned in one of your books</p> 	<p>Read a graphic novel</p> 	<p>Read a fantasy book</p> 

## Summer Reading for RMS 8th grade students:

Attention rising 8th grade students: Get ready to read and to play Bingo this summer! To play reading Bingo, complete the squares and make Bingos. The more Bingos you make, the better!!

Each square on the Bingo board is either a book to read, or a reading activity to complete. Shade in each square as you go to make your Bingos. Each Bingo is 5 squares in a vertical, horizontal, or diagonal direction.

Remember: One book is required to be read by ALL students (the middle square), but playing Bingo is for fun and prizes.