

SUMMER READING 2017 CANTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

FICTION

All of the Above (Pearsall) Five urban middle school students and a teacher embark on a project to build the world's largest tetrahedron. TEEN FICTION PEARSALL

Ashes (Anderson) The final volume of a trilogy set in the throes of American's Revolutionary War. Start with *Chains* and *Forge* and then continue the journey of embattled teenage slaves in search of family and freedom. TEEN FICTION ANDERSON

Blind Guide to Stinkville (Vrabel) A small town story with complicated and messy characters who come together in a story about the strength of community and friendship. J FICTION VRABEL

Echo (Ryan) An epic novel about three children in very tough circumstances in three different time periods. The three are connected by a harmonica with special powers. It is part historical fiction, part fantasy and part folk-tale. TEEN FICTION RYAN

El Deafo (Bell) Going to school and making new friends can be tough. But going to school and making new friends while wearing a bulky hearing aid strapped to your chest? That requires superpowers! J GRAPHIC NOVEL BELL

Every Soul a Star (Mass) At Moon Shadow, an isolated campground, thousands have gathered to catch a glimpse of a rare and extraordinary total eclipse of the sun. Three lives are about to be changed forever. It's a great tie to this summer's total solar eclipse in August. J FICTION MASS

Faith, Hope and Ivy June (Naylor) As part of a student exchange program, seventh graders Ivy June and Catherine share their lives, homes, and communities, and, find that although their lifestyles are total opposites, they have a lot in common. J FICTION NAYLOR

Free Verse (Dooley) Placed in foster care, Sasha finds that family and belonging don't always take the form you intended. J FICTION DOOLEY

Genevieve's War (Giff) Thirteen-year-old American girl Genevieve decides to spend the summer of 1939 at her grandmother's farm in Alsace, France. It is a dangerous decision as World War II erupts, the Nazis conquer Alsace, including commandeering a room in Meme's farmhouse. A companion novel to *Lily's Crossing*. J FICTION GIFF

The Girl Who Drank the Moon (Barnhill) In her spellbinding reading, Moore recreates a fairy-tale world where evil thrives until good witch Xan accidentally "enmagicks" baby Luna. J FICTION BARNHILL

Grayling's Song (Cushman) Grayling, a wise woman's timid daughter must embark on a quest into the world beyond her valley to overturn a curse. J FICTION CUSHMAN

I Kill the Mockingbird (Acampora) When Lucy, Elena, and Michael receive their summer reading list, they are excited to see *To*

Kill A Mockingbird included. But not everyone in their class shares the same enthusiasm. They hatch a plot to get the entire town talking about the well-known Harper Lee classic. NUTMEG TEEN FICTION ACAMPORA

The Inquisitor's Tale (Gidwitz) A sweeping adventure featuring three extraordinary children at odds with the king in medieval France. J FICTION GIDWITZ

Into the Lion's Den (Fairstein) Watch out, Nancy Drew—Devlin Quick is smart, strong, and she will DEFINITELY close the case in this thrilling new mystery series for girls and boys. J FICTION FAIRSTEIN

A Long Walk to Water (Park) This title was the 2016 CMS Community Read. The novel is a dual narrative set in Sudan over many years, from the perspectives of a young boy and a young girl. TEEN FICTION PARK

Lucky Broken Girl (Behar) Based on the author's childhood in the 1960s—a young Cuban-Jewish immigrant girl is adjusting to her new life in New York City when her American dream is suddenly derailed. Ruthie's plight will intrigue readers, and her powerful story of strength and resilience. J FICTION BEHAR

Out of My Mind (Draper) Melody is not like most people. She cannot walk or talk, but she has a photographic memory. She is smarter than most of the adults who try to diagnose her and smarter than her classmates in her integrated classroom—the very same classmates who dismiss her as mentally challenged, because she cannot tell them otherwise. J PB DRAPER

Prisoner B-3087 (Gratz) When Hitler's army entered and occupied his native Kraków, 10-year-old Yanek knew his life might change, but he had no idea of the horror that lay ahead. His remarkable survival story begins with a dramatic, emotional punch and then chronicles such moments as his secretive bar mitzvah in a warehouse basement, the systematic round up of Jews, and his deportation to the Plaszow concentration camp, the first of 10 camps he would suffer but survive. TEEN FICTION GRATZ

Raymie Nightingale (DiCamillo) Three girls form an unlikely friendship as they begin baton-twirling classes. All three have lost people close to them, and each girl deals with her loss in different ways. J FICTION DICAMILLO

The Running Dream (Van Draanen) This title is the 2017 Summer Community Read. Running is the thing that makes Jessica feel most alive. When she loses a leg in a tragic accident, she is shattered inside and out. This is an inspiring story about her fight to reclaim what she lost. TEEN FICTION VAN DRAANEN or TEEN CD BOOK VAN DRAANEN

Short (Sloan) Julia considers herself to be a human version of a terrier; small but tough. To her dismay she earns the part of a Munchkin, along with other local children and three adults with dwarfism in a summer play. If you liked *Counting by 7s*, you'll love this new title. J FICTION SLOAN

Wolf Hollow (Wolk) Set in 1943 in a Pennsylvania farm community, Annabelle learns about injustice, honesty and courage.
J FICTION WOLK

Wonder (Palacio) “Whatever you’re thinking, it’s probably worse”, the book begins. Born with several genetic abnormalities, Auggie dreams of being “ordinary”. This is an amazing story about perseverance, humor, kindness, forgiveness and everything else.
J FICTION PALACIO

POETRY

One Last Word (Grimes) In this collection of poetry, Nikki Grimes looks afresh at the poets of the Harlem Renaissance -- including voices like Langston Hughes, Georgia Douglas Johnson, and many more writers of importance and resonance from this era -- by combining their work with her own original poetry. J 811.008 ONE

Out of Wonder: Poems Celebrating Poets (Various Authors)
J 811.008 OUT

Poetry Speaks Who I Am: Poems of Discovery, Inspiration, Independence and Everything Else This is a collection of more than 100 poems by prize-winning authors as well as some newcomers. TEEN 808.81

Swimming Upstream: Middle School Poems (George) Short, accessible heart-to-heart poems about life and experiences in any middle school.

Words with Wings: A Treasury of African-American Poetry and Art (Rochelle) Spanning the nineteenth century to the present, this collection pairs twenty poems by distinguished African-American poets with twenty works of art by acclaimed African-American artists.

NON-FICTION

Alexander Hamilton: The Outsider (Fritz) J BIO HAMILTON and J CD BOOK HAMILTON

Bad Girls of Fashion: Style Rebels from Cleopatra to Lady Gaga (Croll) TEEN 391.2 CROLL

Beastly Brains: Exploring How Animals Think, Talk and Feel (Castaldo) J 591.5 CASTALDO

The Boys in the Boat : the True Story of an American Team's Epic Journey To Win Gold at the 1936 Olympics (Brown) TEEN 797.123 BROWN

Choose to Matter: Being Courageously and Fabulously YOU (Foudy) DOWNLOAD as a HOOPLA E-BOOK

A Dog In the Cave: The Wolves Who Made Us Human (Frydenborg) TEEN 636.7 FRYDENBORG

Eyes & Spies: How You're Tracked and What You Should Know (Kyj) TEEN 323.448 KYI

Hidden Figures, Young Reader's Edition (Shetterly) TEEN 510.82 SHETTERLY

How the Beatles Changed the World (Sandler)
TEEN 782.4216 SANDLER

I Survived True Stories: Five Epic Disasters (Tarshis) J 363.34 TARSHIS or TEEN 363.34 TARSHIS

I Will Always Write Back: How One Letter Changed Two Lives (Ganda and Welch) TEEN 305.23 ALFIFENKA

Legends: The Best Players, Games and Teams in Baseball (Bryant)
J 796.357 BRYANT

Mosque (Macaulay) TEEN 726.2 MACAULAY

Motor Girls: How Women Took the Wheel and Drove Boldly Into the 20th Century (Macy) J 629.283 MACY

Next Round: A Young Athlete's Journey to Gold (Spray)

The Sciences of Science Fiction (Inquire and Investigate) (Wood)

Stormy Seas: Stories of Young Boat Refugees (Leatherdale) TEEN 305.906 LEATHERDALE

The Story of Seeds (Castaldo) TEEN 581.467 CASTALDO

The Survival Guide to Bullying Written by a Teen (Mayrock) TEEN 302.3 MAYROCK

Surviving Middle School: Navigating the Halls, Riding the Social Roller Coaster, and Unmasking the Real You (Reynolds)

Taking Flight: From War Orphan to Star Ballerina (DePrince)
TEEN BIO DEPRINCE

You Can Fly: The Tuskegee Airmen (Weatherford) TEEN 811 WEATHERFORD

2018 NUTMEG Book Award Teen Nominees (Grades 7&8)

ON DISPLAY IN THE TEEN ZONE

<u>Boy in the Black Suit</u> (Reynolds)	<u>Full Cicada Moon</u> (Hilton)
<u>Goodbye Stranger</u> (Stead)	<u>I am Princess X</u> (Priest)
<u>I Kill the Mockingbird</u> (Acampora)	<u>The Last Boy at St. Edith's</u> (Malone)
<u>The Novice</u> (Matharu)	<u>Orbiting Jupiter</u> (Schmidt)
<u>The 7th Most Important Thing</u> (Pearsall)	
<u>Thirteen Chairs</u> (Shelton)	

About This List ...

To foster the love of reading, this list serves as an overall guide for selecting books to read over the summer. All of the titles are available at Canton Public Library as well as at Canton's Barnes and Noble. **The Running Dream** is the *required* 2017 Community Read title for incoming 7th graders and 8th grade students. Through the generosity of the CMS PTO, Canton Public Library has many copies for loan. Questions about this list may be directed to Joanna Eickenhorst jeickenhorst@cantonschools.org (Library Media Specialist CHS and CMS) or Dr. Ruth Kidwell rkidwell@cantonschools.org (English Department Chair Grades 7-12) Remember, it's important to read only on the days you breathe ☺!