



## Summer Reading List Rising 5<sup>th</sup> Grade 2019-20 School Year



Experts agree that children who read during the summer months gain reading skills while those who do not often slide backwards (RIF). **Don't let your child experience the "summer slide"!** Choose books from the following list or head to the library and explore the shelves. Children should read for at least 20 minutes each day. Visit the Summer Reading page on the SJE website for lots of ideas for literacy fun in your area.

**Read at least 3 of the following books this summer (in addition to lots of self-selected reading) & use the accompanied reading log to track your reading.**

Students should note the following: title, author, main characters, problems characters were trying to solve, how problem was resolved, what you liked/disliked about the book, and the most exciting, funniest, or saddest parts. Keep these notes to use for your Accelerated Reader tests which you will take by September 13, 2019.

### **Required Reading – Choose at least 2 of the following books:**

<u>Out of My Mind</u>	Sharon Draper
<u>The City of Ember</u>	Jeanne DuPrau
<u>Rules</u>	Cynthia Lord
<u>Al Capone Does My Shirts</u>	Gennifer Choldenko

### **Choose at least 1 more from the following:**

<u>Afternoon of the Elves</u>	Janet Taylor Lisle
<u>Bridge to Terabithia</u>	Katherine Paterson
<u>Island of the Blue Dolphins</u>	Scott O'Dell
<u>Olive's Ocean</u>	Kevin Henkes
<u>Hatchet</u>	Gary Paulsen
<u>Poppy</u>	Avi

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