

Dear Parent/Guardian:

As the 2022-2023 school year draws to a close, it is my pleasure to present to you our 2023 Summer Reading Assignment. Summer reading is an important activity for your child's intellectual growth and development. It encourages students to continue learning while still providing them with fun and enjoyment. What helps make reading entertaining for children is allowing them the freedom to choose books that speak to their unique interests.

Vineland Public Charter School students entering **Grade 8** are required to choose **TWO** grade level appropriate books of their choice, complete the "Summer Reading Information Sheet" for both books, and choose **ONE (1)** project to complete from the list below.

DUE DATE: ALL projects will be due Friday, September 8th and will count towards a project grade for the first quarter for the 2023-2024 school year.

SUMMER READING DIRECTIONS:

- 1. READ A MINIMUM OF TWO GRADE LEVEL APPROPRIATE BOOKS**
- 2. COMPLETE AN INFORMATION SHEET FOR EACH BOOK (Found on the last pages of this packet.)**
- 3. COMPLETE ONE PROJECT BASED ON ONE OR BOTH BOOKS.**

Project Suggestions: (You may choose 1 of these or complete a project of your choice)

- **Journal** - Write a journal about the main characters' experiences.
- **Model** - Create a "to scale" model about your book.
- **News Story** - Write a front- page news story about an important incident from the book. *Make sure to include the "who, what, where, when, and why" in your opening. Then draw a "photo" to accompany your story.*
- **Board Game** - Create a board game or computer game based on characters or events from the book. Include clearly written instructions, and any game pieces needed to play.
- **Cast Characters** - Put together a cast for the film version of the book. Explain why you selected each cast member.
- **Collage** - Using words and pictures cut out magazines, newspapers, as well as paint or draw to create a collage illustrating the plot, theme, characters, or setting from the book.
- **Essay**- write a 5 paragraph essay comparing and contrasting an element of both books (ex: theme, point of view, characters, etc.)
- **Video/ Commercial Record** and create a video about the book

Projects will be graded as follows:

- **4 (A)** All required components plus makes deeper connections and/or justifies your thinking
- **3 (B)** ALL required components (Read 2 books, completed 2 information sheets- 1 for each book, and completed a project based on 1 or both books
- **2 (C)** Missing 1 requirement
- **1 (D)** Missing multiple requirements
- **0 (F)** Did not complete project

