

Covenant Classical School Summer Reading Program

SUMMER 2017

Each summer students at CCS are required to participate in the summer reading program. The purpose of the program is to augment the curriculum, expose students to quality literature, and cultivate a love of reading. All students are required to complete their respective reading assignment. Reading assignments are listed below, including the ISBN of recommended editions.

Incoming 1st grade: *We do not expect reading fluency at this point. Your young reader may require some assistance as they decode words, which is to be expected after the kindergarten year. Consider helping your child read through any number of books selected from the CCS Book Recommendations List while focusing particularly on his/her development of decoding skills.*

Incoming 2nd grade: Read *Beginner's Bible* published by Zondervan (ISBN: 0310709628).
Read *Bill and Pete Go Down the Nile* by DePaola (ISBN: 0698114019).
Also read one additional book selected from the CCS Book Recommendations List.

Incoming 3rd grade: Read *Magic Tree House: Hour of the Olympics* (978-0679890621).
Read *Ancient Greece and the Olympics: A Nonfiction Companion to Magic Tree House* (978-0375823787).
Read *Adventures of the Greek Heroes* by Mollie McLean and Anne Wiseman.

Incoming 4th grade: Read *The Whipping Boy* by Sid Fleischman.
Read *The Trumpet of the Swan* by E.B. White.
Read *My Side of the Mountain* by Jean Craighead George.

Incoming 5th grade: Read *The Sign of the Beaver* by Elizabeth George Speare.
Read *Sarah Bishop* by Scott O'Dell.
Read *Amos Fortune* by Elizabeth Yates.

Incoming 6th grade: Read *White Fang* by Jack London.
Read *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* by Mark Twain.
Also read one additional book selected from the CCS Book Recommendations List.

Incoming 7th grade: Read the books of *Genesis* and *Exodus* from the Bible.
Also read one additional book selected from the CCS Book Recommendations List.

Incoming 8th grade: Read *Mythology* by Edith Hamilton (ISBN: 978-0446574754).
Also read one additional book selected from the CCS Book Recommendations List.

Incoming 9th grade: Read *Sir Gawain and the Green Knight* translated by Tolkien (ISBN: 978-0345277602).
Also read one additional book selected from the CCS Book Recommendations List.

Incoming 10th grade: Read *Doctor Faustus* by Christopher Marlowe (ISBN: 978-048628208).
Also read one additional book selected from the CCS Book Recommendations List.

Incoming 11th grade: Read *1984* by George Orwell (ISBN: 978-0451524935).
Also read one additional book selected from the CCS Book Recommendations List.

Incoming 12th grade: Read *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee (ISBN: 978-0446310789).
From a compilation of Flannery O'Connor short stories titled *The Complete Stories* (ISBN: 978-0374515362) read: A Good Man is Hard to Find, Good Country People, Revelation, Parker's Back, as well as two other stories of your choosing.

NOTE: For all assigned books, students must read full versions of the text; abridged or graphic versions are not acceptable. On the first day of school all incoming students are expected to submit a page describing the titles and authors of the books they have read over the summer as well as a signed affirmation that, "I have read these books for the first time, in their entirety, during the course of this past summer." Teachers may also choose to give an assignment in the fall related to the required book(s) read by the entire class.

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For incoming 1st grade students:

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Advanced Level Bob Books
Green Light Readers
I Can Read Books
Puffin Easy-to-Read
Scholastic Readers
Step Into Reading
Dick and Jane Books
Dr. Seuss Early Readers
P.D. Eastman Early Readers
Read-It! Readers

For incoming 2nd grade students:

Lobel, Arnold – *Days with Frog and Toad*
Parish and Sweat – *Amelia Bedelia*
Byars, Betsy – *The Golly Sisters*
Levinson, Smiler – *Snowshoe Thompson*
Rylant, Cynthia – *The High-Rise Private Eyes*
Sharmat, Marjorie Weiman – *Nate the Great*
Stevens and Crummel – *And the Dish Ran Away with the Spoon*
Dagleish, Alice – *The Courage of Sarah Noble*
McCloskey, Robert – *Homer Price*
Clearly, Beverly – *Henry Huggins*
Karon, Jan – *Jeremy*
American Girl Doll books by American Girl Collection
Jenny the Cat Club books by Esther Averill

For incoming 3rd grade students:

Bulla, Clyde R. – *Riding the Pony Express*
Bulla, Clyde R. – *Shoeshine Girl*
Clearly, Beverly – *Henry Huggins (Series)*
Clearly, Beverly – *Ramona (Series)*
Enright, Elizabeth – *The Saturdays*
Enright, Elizabeth – *Thimble Summer*
Estes, Eleanor – *Ginger Pyle*
Estes, Eleanor – *The Moffats*
Grahame, Kenneth – *The Wind in the Willows*
Haywood, Carolyn – *B is for Betsy (Series)*
Kipling, Rudyard – *Just So Stories*
Lanski, Lois – *Strawberry Girl*
Lovelace, Maude Hart – *Betsy Trace*
McCloskey, Robert – *Homer Price*
Sobol, Donald J. – *Encyclopedia Brown (Series)*
Warner, Gertrude Chandler – *The Boxcar Children (Series)*
Wilder, Laura Ingalls – *Little House on the Prairie (Series)*

For incoming 4th grade students:

Banks, Lynn – *The Indian in the Cupboard (Series)*
Burnett, Frances Hodges – *Little Lord Fauntleroy*
Dixon, Franklin – *The Hardy Boys (Series)*
Jacques, Brian – *Mossflower*
Jacques, Brian – *The Redwall (Series)*
Keene, Carolyn – *The Nancy Drew (Series)*
Kipling, Rudyard – *The Jungle Book*
Little, Jean – *Mine for Keeps*
Lofling, Hugh – *Dr. Doolittle (Series)*
MacDonald, George – *The Princess and the Goblin*
Montgomery, L. M. – *Anne of Green Gables*
Nesbit, Edith – *Five Children and It*
Norton, Mary – *The Borrowers*
O'Brien, Robert C. – *Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH*
Porter, Eleanor – *Just David*
St. John, Patricia – *Treasures in the Snow*
Vernon, Louis – *The Beggar's Bible*

For incoming 5th grade students:

Burnett, Frances Hodgson – *The Little Princess*
Burnett, Frances Hodgson – *The Lost Prince*
Fritz, Jean – *Early Thunder*
James, Will – *Smoky the Cow Horse*
Lowry, Lois – *Number the Stars*
MacDonald, George – *At the Back of the North Wind*
MacDonald, George – *The Light Princess*
O'Dell, Scott – *Island of the Blue Dolphins*
O'Dell, Scott – *Streams to the River, River to the Sea*
Porter, Eleanor H. – *Pollyanna*
Rawls, Wilson – *Summer of the Monkeys*
Spyri, Johanna – *Heidi*
Stevenson, Robert Louis – *Kidnapped*
Wyss, Johan – *Swiss Family Robinson*

For incoming 6th grade students:

Alcott, Louisa May – *Little Women*
Bunyan, John – *The Pilgrim's Progress*
Christie, Agatha – *And Then There Were None*
Curtis, Christopher Paul – *The Watson's Go to Birmingham*
Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan Doyle – *The Hound of Baskervilles*
Field, Rachel – *Hitty*
Finley, Martha – *Life of Faith (Series)*
Gilert, Henry – *Robin Hood*
Henty, G. A. – *The Boy Knight; Among Malay Pirates; Freedom's Cause; et. al.*
Jackson, Liva Bitton – *I Have Lived a Thousand Years*
Kipling, Rudyard – *The Jungle Book*
L'Engle, Madeleine – *A Wrinkle in Time*
London, Jack – *Call of the Wild*
Montgomery, L.M. – *Anne of Green Gables*
O'Dell, Scott – *The King's Fifth*
Paterson, Katherine – *Bridge to Terabithia*
Raskin, Ellen – *The Westing Game*

Rawls, Wilson – *Where the Red Fern Grows*
Stevenson, Robert Louis – *Treasure Island*
Swift, Jonathan – *Gulliver's Travels*
Tolkien, J.R.R. – *The Fellowship of the Ring*
Twain, Mark – *The Prince and the Pauper*
Twain, Mark – *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*
Vern, Jules – *From Earth to Moon*
Vern, Jules – *Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea*
Wyss, Johann – *Swiss Family Robinson*
Sutcliffe, Rosemary – *Eagle of the Ninth*

For incoming 7th through 8th grade students:

Adams, Richard – *Watership Down*
Armstrong, William – *Souder*
Avi – *The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle*
Card, Orson Scott – *Ender's Game*
Carroll, Lewis – *Alice in Wonderland*
Carroll, Lewis – *Through the Looking Glass*
Cather, Willa – *O Pioneers!*
Chesterton, G. K. – *Father Brown, The Essential Tales*
Christie, Agatha – *Death on the Nile*
Crane, Stephen – *The Red Badge of Courage*
Douglas, Lloyd C. – *The Robe*
Eliot, George – *Middlemarch*
Eliot, George – *Silas Marner*
Frank, Anne – *Diary of a Young Girl*
Goldman, William – *The Princess Bride*
Gunther, John – *Death Be Not Proud*
Henty, G. A. – *Winning His Spurs*
Herbert, Frank – *Dune*
Hurnard, Hannah – *Hinds' Feet on High Places*
Juster, Norton – *The Phantom Tollbooth*
Lewis, C. S. – *Out of the Silent Planet* (Space Trilogy)
Lewis, C. S. – *Screwtape Letters*
Kane, Ben – *The Silver Eagle*
Keyes, Daniel – *Flowers for Algernon*
Kipling, Rudyard – *The Jungle Book*
Kipling, Rudyard – *Kim*
Lowry, Lois – *The Giver*
Montgomery, L. M. - *Anne of Green Gables*
O'Dell, Scott – *Island of the Blue Dolphins*
Pyle, Howard – *Otto of the Silver Hand*
Sayers, Dorothy – *Whose Body?* (Lord Peter Wimsey Series)
Stevenson, Robert Louis – *Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde*
Stevenson, Robert Louis – *Kidnapped*
Sutcliffe, Rosemary – *Eagle of the Ninth*
Ten Boom, Corrie – *The Hiding Place*
Twain, Mark – *A Connecticut Yankee in King Arthur's Court*
Twain, Mark – *The Prince and the Pauper*
Twain, Mark – *Pudd'nhead Wilson*
Tolkien, J. R. R. – *Fellowship of the Ring*
Tolkien, J. R. R. – *The Two Towers*
Tolkien, J. R. R. – *The Return of the King*
Verne, Jules – *Around the World in Eighty Days*
Verne, Jules – *20,000 Leagues Under the Sea*
Wodehouse P. G. – *Carry On Jeeves*
Wodehouse P. G. – *The Inimitable Jeeves*

Wodehouse P. G. – *Very Good, Jeeves!*
Wyss, Johann David – *The Swiss Family Robinson*

For incoming 9th through 12th grade students:

Abbott, Edwin – *Flatland*
Austen, Jane – *Emma*
Austen, Jane – *Persuasion*
Austen, Jane – *Sense and Sensibility*
Boccaccio – *The Decameron*
Bolt, Robert – *A Man for All Seasons*
Bradbury, Ray – *Dandelion Wine*
Bradbury, Ray – *Fahrenheit 451*
Brontë, Charlotte – *Jane Eyre*
Brontë, Emily – *Wuthering Heights*
Bunyan, John – *Pilgrim's Progress*
Chesterton, G. K. – *The Man Who Was Thursday*
Clarke, Arthur C. – *2001: A Space Odyssey*
Cooper, James Fenimore – *Last of the Mohicans*
Dickens, Charles – *Great Expectations*
Dickens, Charles – *Hard Times*
Dickens, Charles – *Oliver Twist*
Dinesen, Isak – *Out of Africa*
Dostoevsky, Fyodor – *The Brothers Karamazov*
Dostoevsky, Fyodor – *The Idiot*
Dumas, Alexander – *The Count of Monte Cristo*
Dumas, Alexander – *The Three Musketeers*
Eliot, T. S. – *Murder in the Cathedral*
Ellison, Ralph – *The Invisible Man*
Faulkner, William – *Absalom Absalom!*
Faulkner, William – *The Sound and the Fury*
Flaubert, Gustave – *Madame Bovary*
Forster, E. M. – *A Passage to India*
Gaarder, Jostein – *Sophie's World*
Hardy, Thomas – *Tess of the d'Urbervilles*
Harris, Joel Chandler – *The Complete Tales of Uncle Remus*
Hemingway, Ernest – *A Farewell to Arms*
Hemingway, Ernest – *For Whom the Bell Tolls*
Hudson, W. H. – *Green Mansions*
Hugo, Victor – *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*
Hugo, Victor – *Les Misérables*
James, Henry – *The Portrait of a Lady*
James, Henry – *The Turn of the Screw*
Knowles, John – *A Separate Peace*
Lewis, Sinclair – *Babbitt*
MacDonald, George – *Phantastes*
McPherson, James M. – *Battle Cry Freedom*
Melville, Herman – *Billy Budd*
Melville, Herman – *Moby Dick*
Mitchell, Margaret – *Gone With the Wind*
More, Sir Thomas – *Utopia*
Orwell, George – *Animal Farm*
Orwell, George – *Homage to Catalonia*
Pasternak, Boris – *Dr. Zhivago*
Paton, Alan – *Cry the Beloved Country*
Porter, William Sidney – *The Best Short Stories of O. Henry*
Potok, Chaim – *The Chosen*
Rand, Ayn – *We the Living*

Shaara, Michael - *The Killer Angels*
Scott, Sir Walter – *Ivanhoe*
Shakespeare, William – *A Midsummer Night's Dream*
Shakespeare, William – *Romeo and Juliet*
Shakespeare, William – *Twelfth Night*
Shakespeare, William – *Hamlet*
Sinclair, Upton – *The Jungle*
Steinbeck, John – *The Grapes of Wrath*
Steinbeck, John – *The Pearl*
Stowe, Harriet Beecher – *Uncle Tom's Cabin*
Swift, Jonathan – *Gulliver's Travels*
Tan, Amy – *The Joy Luck Club*
Thoreau, Henry David – *Walden*
Thurber, James – *The Thurber Carnival*
Tolstoy, Leo – *Anna Karenina*
Tolstoy, Leo – *The Death of Ivan Ilych*
Tolstoy, Leo – *War and Peace*
Turgenev, Ivan – *Sketches from a Hunter's Album*
Wells, H. G. – *The Time Machine*
Wilde, Oscar – *The Picture of Dorian Gray*
Woolf, Virginia – *To the Lighthouse*
Wright, Richard – *Native Son*