Dear Parents,

It’s summer time again, and time for our summer reading list! We feel strongly that students must continue to read in these months away from school. Our 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students are required to take the NYS ELA tests each year, and the New York State standards state that every student should be reading 26 books per year. While we are requiring your child to select **to select two books** from the list, we hope they are also reading newspapers, magazines, and other books that hold their interest. Reading is a lifelong skill, and we should all be reading regularly. Please help reinforce your child’s comprehension by discussing the book with him/her. You might also enjoy reading it! Students can choose from the projects attached after they have completed the book. Projects are due Monday, September 18th.

Also, this summer **our I-Ready programs are available until the middle of August. We encourage all of our students to sign in weekly to work on a lesson or two. Please contact me if you need sign in information.**

The Geneva Public Library has been sent a copy of the list, and all of these books are available online.

We hope everyone has an enjoyable summer!

Sincerely,

The Middle School Teachers

**Book Choices for incoming 6th Grader**

 ***The Great Gilly Hopkins* Katherine Paterson**

 ***Under the Same Sky* Cynthia DeFelice**

 ***Where the Red Fern Grows* Wilson Rawes**

 ***Weasel* Cynthia DeFelice**

 ***Flush*  Carl Hiaasen**

 ***Tuck Everlasting* Natalie Babbitt**

**Book Choices for incoming 7th Graders:**

 ***Anne of Green Gables* L.M. Montgomery**

 ***Restart* Gordon Korman**

 ***The Mighty Miss Malone* Christopher Paul Curtis**

 ***The Giver* Lois Lowry**

 ***Hoot*  Carl Hiassen**

**Book Choices for incoming 8th Graders:**

 ***Hurt Go Happy* Ginny Rorby**

 ***Across Five Aprils* Irene Hunt**

 ***A Long Way from Chicago* Richard Peck**

 ***Star Girl* Jerry Spinelli**

 ***Jacob Have I Loved* Katherine Paterson**

 ***Hatchet* Gary Paulsen**

**Project choices on back. Projects are due Monday, September 18th.**