

**HOWARD COUNTY
MIDDLE SCHOOL
SUMMER READING LIST
2015
HEROES!**

DIY

- Glenn, Joshua *Unbored: The Essential Field Guide to Serious Fun*
- Hanson, Anders *Cool String Art: Creative Activities That Make Math and Science Fun For Kids!*
- Honovich, Nancy *Get Outside Guide: All Things Adventure, Exploration, and Fun*
- Kaye, Megan *Do You Know Who You Are? Discover the Real You*
- Long, Denise *Survivor Kid: A Practical Guide to Wilderness Survival*
- Martin, Lesley *Make the Grade: Everything You Need to Study Better, Stress Less, and Succeed in School*
- Mercer, Bobby *Junk Drawer Physics: 50 Awesome Experiments That Don't Cost a Thing*
- Mercer, Bobby *The Flying Machine Book: Build and Launch 35 Rockets, Gliders, Helicopters, Boomerangs and More*

4 (AND MORE) LEGGED HEROES

- Albee, Sarah *Bugged: How Insects Changed History*
- Burns, Loree Griffin *Beetle Busters: A Rogue Insect and the People Who Track It*
- Keenan, Shiela *Dogs of War*
- Laidlaw, Rob *Cat Champions: Caring For Our Feline Friends*
- Martin, George R. R. *The Ice Dragon*
- Montgomery, Sy *Chasing Cheetahs: The Race to Save Africa's Fastest Cats*

HEROES IRL (IN REAL LIFE)

- Freedman, Paula *My Basmati Bat Mitzvah*
- Gephart, Donna *Death By Toilet Paper*
- Harrington, Karen *Courage for Beginners*
- Holczer, Tracy *The Secret Hum of a Daisy*
- Lupica, Mike *Fantasy League*
- Martin, Ann *Rain Reign*

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EPIC JOURNEYS

- Freedman, Russell *Because They Marched: The People's Campaign for Voting Rights that Changed America*
- Gomdori Co. *Survive! Inside the Human Body*
- Grove, S.E. *The Glass Sentence*
- Harris, Teresa *The Perfect Place*
- Kazerooni, Abbas *On Two Feet and Wings: One Boy's Amazing Story of Survival*
- McMullan, James *Leaving China: An Artist Paints His World War II Childhood*
- Miller, Ron *Curiosity's Mission on Mars: Exploring the Red Planet*
- Mitchell, Edgar D. *Earthrise: My Adventures as an Apollo 14 Astronaut*
- Rocco, John *Swim that Rock*

SCI-FANTASY HEROES

- Anderson, John David *Minion*
- Black, Holly *The Iron Trial*
- Black, Peter Jay *Urban Outlaws*
- DeStefano, Lauren *Perfect Ruin*
- Hale, Shannon *Dangerous*
- Korman, Gordon *The Hypnotists*
- Shusterman, Neal *Tesla's Attic*
- Tripp, Ben *The Accidental Highwayman: Being the Tale of Kit Bristol, his Horse Midnight, a Mysterious Princess, and Sundry Magical Persons Besides*

BLACK EYED SUSAN

- Acampora, Paul *I Kill the Mockingbird*
- Alexander, Kwame *The Crossover*
- Auxier, Jonathan *The Night Gardener*
- Hopkinson, Deborah *The Great Trouble: A Mystery of London, the Blue Death, and a Boy Called Eel*
- Johnson, Terry Lynn *Ice Dogs*
- Leyson, Leon *The Boy on the Wooden Box: How the Impossible Became Possible...on Schindler's List: A Memoir*
- Milford, Kate *Greenglass House*
- Oppel, Kenneth *The Boundless*
- Vernick, Audrey *Screaming at the Ump*
- Yousafzai, Malala *I am Malala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World*



HEROES FOR HIRE

Cooper, Michael	<i>Fighting Fire! 10 of the Deadliest Fires in American History and How We Fought Them</i>	Atwood, Kathryn
Dillon, Patrick	<i>The Story of Buildings: From the Pyramids to the Sydney Opera House and Beyond</i>	Bragg, Georgia
Eamer, Claire	<i>Before the World Was Ready: Stories of Daring Genius in Science</i>	Denenberg, Barry Freedman, Russell
Fleischman, Paul	<i>Eyes Wide Open: Going Behind the Environmental Headlines</i>	Kanefield, Teri
Gibson, Karen Bush	<i>Women in Space: 23 Stories of First Flights, Scientific Missions, and Gravity-Breaking Adventures</i>	Macy, Sue Telgemeier, Raina
Rhatigan, Joe	<i>People You Gotta Meet Before You Grow Up: Get to Know the Movers and Shakers, Heroes and Hotshots in Your Hometown</i>	Carey, Edward Curtis, Christopher Paul Fitzgerald, Laura Marx Gavin, Rohan Jarrow, Gail
Rusch, Elizabeth	<i>The Next Wave: The Quest to Harness the Power of the Oceans</i>	Turnage, Shelia Unsworth, Tania Walker, Sally

UNMASK!

HEROIC TRUTHS

Brimner, Larry Dane	<i>Birmingham Sunday</i>
Brimner, Larry Dane	<i>Strike!: The Farm Workers' Fight For Their Rights</i>
Brown, Skila	<i>Caminar</i>
Edinger, Monica	<i>Africa is My Home: A Child of the Amistad</i>
Frost, Helen	<i>Salt: A Story of Friendship in a Time of War</i>
Hale, Nathan	<i>Treaties, Trenches, Mud, and Blood: A World War I Tale</i>
Powell, Patricia Hruby	<i>Josephine: The Dazzling Life of Josephine Baker</i>
Sheinkin, Steve	<i>The Port Chicago 50: Disaster, Mutiny, and the Fight for Civil Rights</i>
Sutcliffe, Jane	<i>The White House is Burning: August 24, 1814</i>

PAST HEROES

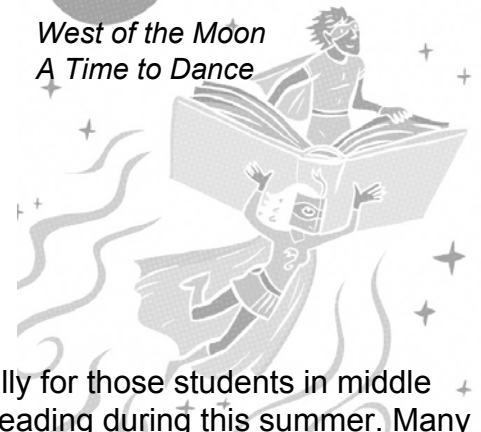
<i>Women Heroes of World War I: 16 Remarkable Resisters, Soldiers, Spies & Medics</i>
<i>How They Choked: Failures, Flops, and Flaws of the Awfully Famous</i>
<i>Ali: An American Champion</i>
<i>Becoming Ben Franklin: How a Candle-Maker's Son Helped Light the Flame of Liberty</i>
<i>The Girl from the Tar Paper School: Barbara Rose Johns and the Advent of the Civil Rights Movement</i>
<i>Sally Ride: Life on a Mission</i>
<i>Sisters</i>

SOLVE THIS!

<i>Heap House</i>
<i>The Madman of Piney Woods</i>
<i>Under the Egg</i>
<i>Knightley & Son</i>
<i>Red Madness: How a Medical Mystery Changed What We Eat</i>
<i>The Ghosts of Tupelo Landing</i>
<i>The One Safe Place</i>
<i>Ghost Walls: The Story of a 17th Century Colonial Homestead</i>

GLOBE TROTTING

<i>Yes! We are Latinos</i>
<i>Delilah Dirk and the Turkish Lieutenant</i>
<i>My Name is Not Easy</i>
<i>Little Man</i>
<i>A Medal for Leroy</i>
<i>The Red Pencil</i>
<i>West of the Moon</i>
<i>A Time to Dance</i>



The titles selected for this summer reading list were chosen specifically for those students in middle school. Titles included are just a sampling of the books you may enjoy reading during this summer. Many of the authors on this list have written more than one book. Check out some of these titles too!