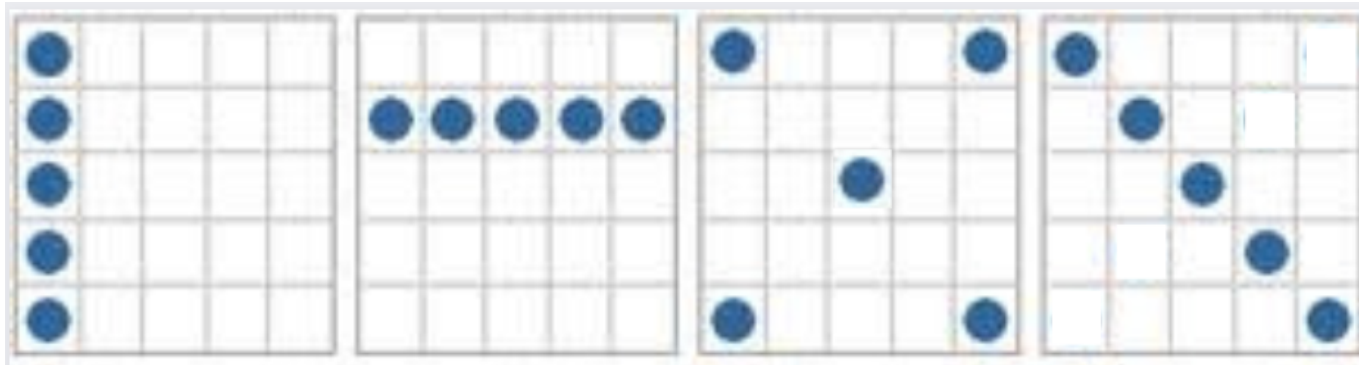


SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT 2023

The purpose of summer reading is to encourage our students to read for enjoyment while maintaining essential literacy skills that we have covered throughout the school year. Students will choose **one book from the provided list** and **complete the bingo board** based on the book that he or she selects. Page counts, genre, and summaries are included to help you make a decision on which book would be best for your student. Students should then complete the assignment below.

Your assignment is to get **bingo** by completing five activities from the bingo boards below. Your activities should create a straight line vertically, horizontally, or diagonally across the board. Additionally, you can also choose four corners and the center. See the possibilities below:



Your assignment must be turned in on the first Friday of the school year to your ELA teacher. You can do it on paper, on your Chromebook in a Google Doc, or another similar format.

**Books are available on Amazon, Target, Barnes and Noble, and Walmart sites. Please check your local library, as well. Lastly, we will have books available for students to borrow in each school's office over the summer.*

Fiction Bingo Board

<i>B</i>	<i>I</i>	<i>N</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>O</i>
Compare and contrast this text with a related or similar text.	How have you changed after reading this book? Explain	What do you know now that you didn't know before?	Do you like the ending of the book? Why or why not? Do you think there is more to tell?	Create a theme song with lyrics for the book.
What connections are there between the book and your life? Explain.	If I were (name of character), I would...	Write a poem about this book.	What came as a surprise in the book? Why?	Which of the characters do you connect with most?
If you were making this book into a movie, what part(s) would you cut out or change? Why?	This character reminds me of myself because...	Write a solution for a problem a character has in the book.	The character I most admire is _____ because...	Pretend that you are the author and write a sequel to this book. Explain what should happen.
Choose a food that represents this book and explain why.	Give 3 reasons why this book should be taught to the whole class.	What type of reader would enjoy this book and why?	What is this book's theme? How do you know?	What questions in this book would you like answered?
What parts of the book seem most believable or unbelievable? Why?	Which character would you like to be in this book? Why?	I think the relationship between _____ and _____ is interesting because...	Write a letter to the author of your book.	If you could step into the book, what's the first thing you would do?

Book Options

1. Smile by Raina Telgemeier (Graphic Novel, pgs. 224)

Raina just wants to be a normal sixth grader. But one night after Girl Scouts she trips and falls, severely injuring her two front teeth. What follows is a long and frustrating journey with on-again, off-again braces, surgery, embarrassing headgear, and even a retainer with fake teeth attached. And on top of all that, there's still more to deal with: a major earthquake, boy confusion, and friends who turn out to be not so friendly.

2. Missing Mike by Shari Green (Novel in Verse, pgs. 248)

He's a rescue, a mutt. Maybe there's a little golden retriever in him, although he's not exactly pretty. He's had a run-in with coyotes and he's missing an eye. But Mike is eleven-year-old Cara Donovan's dog, and they love each other absolutely. Usually her pet follows Cara everywhere, but on the day the family first smells smoke in the air, Mike becomes anxious. Pine Grove is in the path of a wildfire, and the family is ordered to evacuate. In the ensuing chaos, Mike runs off. And then the unthinkable happens; there is no time to search for Mike. They are forced to leave him behind.

3. Final Season by Tim Green (Sports Fiction, pgs. 320)

With two all-star college football players for brothers and a former Atlanta Falcons defensive lineman for a father, it is only natural for sixth-grade quarterback Benjamin Redd to follow in their footsteps. However, after his dad receives a heartbreaking ALS diagnosis—connected to all those hard hits and tackles he took on the field—Ben's mom becomes more determined than ever to get Ben to quit football. Ben isn't playing just for himself though. This might be his dad's last chance to coach. And his teammates need a quarterback that can lead them to the championships. But as Ben watches the heavy toll ALS takes on his dad's body, he begins to question if this should be his final season after all.

4. Schooled by Gordon Korman (Realistic Fiction, pgs. 224)

Capricorn (Cap for short) lived every day of his life on Garland Farm growing fruits and vegetables. He was homeschooled by Rain, the only person he knew in the world. Life was simple for Cap. But when Rain falls out of a tree while picking plums and is hospital-ridden, he has to attend the local middle school and live with his new guidance counselor and her irritable daughter. While Cap knew a lot about Zen Buddhism, no amount of formal education could prepare him for the trials and tribulations of public middle school.

5. You Go First by Erin Entrada Kelly (Realistic Fiction, pgs. 288)

Twelve-year-old Charlotte Lockard and eleven-year-old Ben Boxer are separated by more than a thousand miles. On the surface, their lives seem vastly different—Charlotte lives near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, while Ben is in the small town of Lanester, Louisiana. Charlotte wants to be a geologist and keeps a rock collection in her room. Ben is obsessed with Harry Potter, presidential history, and recycling. But the two have more in common than they think. They're both highly gifted. They're both experiencing family turmoil. And they both sit alone at lunch. During the course of one week, Charlotte and Ben—friends connected only by an online Scrabble game—will intersect in unexpected ways as they struggle to navigate the turmoil of middle school.