



SCBCS 2023 Summer Reading & Writing: Rising 8th Grade

****Families are responsible for acquiring their own books through bookstores, Amazon, Kindle, etc.****

- 1. *Unbroken (The Young Adult Adaptation)*, Laura Hillenbrand, Edward Herman, et. al.**
- 2. Novel of your choice**

Suggested Titles:

The Count of Monte Cristo by Alexandre Dumas
The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle by Avi
Little Women by Louisa May Alcott
Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck
The Grapes of Wrath by John Steinbeck
Fahrenheit 451 by Ray Bradbury
The Time Machine by H.G. Wells
I, Robot by Isaac Asimov
Inside Out and Back Again by Thanhha Lai
The Latecomer by Kao Kalia Yang
Hush by Jacqueline Woodson
Coraline by Neil Gaiman
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred D. Taylor
Lion Island by Margarita Engle
The Book Thief by Mark Zusak
Tropical Secrets by Margarita Engle
A Light in the Darkness by Albert Marrin
A Tree Grows in Brooklyn by Betty Smith
War of the Worlds by H.G. Wells
Free the Children by Craig Kielburger
The Slave Dancer by Paula Fox
The Last of the Mohicans by James Fenimore Cooper
Eragon by Christopher Paolini

**Note: These books are just suggestions and you do not have to read them all.*

FOR EACH BOOK YOU READ...

- Take notes as you read. This can be done on sticky notes, a piece of notebook paper, “bookmark,” journaling, etc. Be sure to write at least one thing for each chapter as a reference tool. For example: “The most important thing to remember from this chapter was...” You can also record words you are unfamiliar with (with page numbers) or your own thoughts, predictions, inferences, info about characters, etc.
- You may be asked to complete a project, take the AR test, etc., in August, so the more notes you take, the better off you will be.