



## Cherry Creek West Middle School 7th Grade Summer Reading List 2019

### Fiction

***Ghost*** (any book in series), Jason Reynolds

Odyssey Honor 2017, 2017 YALSA Best Fiction Young Adult, School Library Journal Best of 2016

Realistic Fiction; 730 Lexile

Ghost. Lu. Patina. Sunny- these are four kids from wildly different backgrounds with personalities that are explosive when they clash. But they are also four kids chosen for an elite middle school track team—a team that could qualify them for the Junior Olympics if they can get their acts together. They all have a lot to lose, but they also have a lot to prove, not only to each other, but to themselves.

***Refugee***, Alan Gratz

2018 National Jewish Book Award Winner for Young Adults, 2018 Colorado Blue Spruce Nominee

Historical Fiction; 800 Lexile

In three separate but related stories readers are thrown right into the heart of suspenseful and thought-provoking situations- with families fleeing their homes and facing all kinds of danger and uncertainty.

***Piecing Me Together***, Renee Watson

A School Library Journal Starred Review 2018, 2018 Newbery Honor Book

Realistic Fiction; 680 Lexile

Tired of being singled out at her private school as someone who needs support, high school student Jade would rather participate in the school's Study Abroad program than join the mentorship program for at-risk girls.

***Two Roads***, Joseph Bruchac

Horn Book Starred Review 2018

Historical Fiction; 740 Lexile

It's 1932, and twelve-year-old Cal Black and his Pop have been riding the rails for years after losing their farm in the Great Depression. But his dad surprises him one day by telling him he is a Creek Indian and must go to a Bureau of Indian Affairs boarding school, where he begins to learn about his history and heritage as a Creek Indian.

***A Skinful of Shadows***, Frances Hardinge

2017 School Library Journal Best of Young Adult. School Library Journal Starred Review 2017

Fantasy; 900 Lexile

Set during the English Civil War, a girl from an aristocratic family possesses unusual abilities. In trying to escape from her abilities and her family, it leads her to friendship, survival and love.

***All's Faire in Middle School***, Victoria Jamieson

Voya Top Shelf Pick 2017, Publisher's Weekly Best Book of the Year 2017

Graphic Novel; 460 Lexile

Eleven-year-old Imogene has grown up with parents working at the Renaissance Festival and she is about to join them. And just as exciting, she's starting public school for the first time. As she discovers the rules of middle school, she begins to see that it is more complex than the rules of swordplay.

***The War that Saved my Life*** (any book in series), Kimberly Brubaker Bradley

2016 Newbery Honor Book, 2016 Schneider Family Book Award

Historical Fiction; 580 Lexile

A young disabled girl and her brother are evacuated from London to live in the English countryside during World War II, where they find life to be much easier away from their abusive mother.

***The Darkdeep***, Ally Condie and Brendan Reichs

New York Times Best Selling Authors

Fantasy/Mystery; 530 Lexile

Middle-schoolers Nico, Tyler, Ella, and Opal discover a hidden island in a forbidden cove that appears uninhabited, but something ancient has awakened knowing their wishes, dreams, and darkest secrets.

***What the Night Sings***, Vesper Stamper

2019 Newbery Honor Book, 2019 Sydney Taylor Book Award

Historical Fiction; 720 Lexile

After losing her family and everything she knew in the Nazi concentration camps, Gerta is finally liberated, only to find herself completely alone. Without her father, her music, or even her true identity, she must move past the task of surviving and on to living her life.

***Outrun the Moon***, Stacey Lee

Colorado Blue Spruce Award nominee 2017, Asian/Pan American Award for Literature 2017

Historical Fiction; 780 Lexile

On the eve of the San Francisco Earthquake of 1906, Mercy Wang--daughter of Chinese immigrants-- is struggling to hold her own among the spoiled heiresses at prestigious St. Clare's School. When tragedy strikes, everyone must band together to survive.

***Projekt 1065; A Novel of World War II***, Alan Gratz

School Library Journal Starred Review 2016, Kirkus Starred Review 2016

Action/Adventure; 780 Lexile

World War II is raging and Michael, originally from Ireland, is now living in Nazi Germany and a member of the Hitler Youth. But Michael has a secret- he and his parents are spies. As he finds himself having to prove his loyalty to the Hitler Youth at all costs- he might just have to risk everything he cares about.

***Among the Hidden*** (any book in series), Margaret Peterson Haddix

Top ten ALA best books for young adults

An ALA pick for reluctant young adult readers

Science Fiction; 800 Lexile

Luke is a third child in a family already with two boys. This is breaking a decree established by the government. He's successfully hidden in his parent's home without discovery for 12 years, but a stray glimpse through an air vent reveals his prohibited existence. Does this spell freedom from secrecy?

## Nonfiction

***The Faithful Spy: Dietrich Bonhoeffer and the Plot to Kill Hitler***, John Hendrix

School Library Journal Best Book of 2018, A 2018 Society of Illustrators Gold Medal Winner

Graphic Novel/Biography; 980 Lexile

Adolf Hitler's Nazi party is gaining strength and becoming more menacing every day. Dietrich Bonhoeffer, a pastor upset by the complacency of the German church toward the suffering around it, forms a breakaway church to speak out against the established political and religious authorities. When the Nazis outlaw the church, he escapes as a fugitive. Struggling to reconcile his faith and the teachings of the Bible with the Nazi Party's evil agenda, Bonhoeffer decides that Hitler must be stopped by any means possible!

***Popular***, Maya Van Wagenen

2015 YALSA Award for Excellence in Nonfiction Winner, *Voya's Perfect Tens* 2014

Memoir; 730 Lexile

"Stuck at the bottom of the social ladder at pretty much the lowest level of people at school who aren't paid to be here," Maya Van Wagenen decided to begin a unique social experiment: spend the school year following a 1950s popularity guide. Will she be "popular" at the end of her school year?

***The Greatest Treasure Hunt in History: The Story of the Monuments Men***, Robert M. Edsel

New York Times Bestselling Author; 1200 Lexile

As the most destructive war in history ravaged Europe, many of the world's most cherished cultural objects were in harm's way. *The Greatest Treasure Hunt in History* recounts the astonishing true story of 11 men and one woman who risked their lives amidst the bloodshed of World War II to preserve churches, libraries, monuments, and works of art that for centuries defined the heritage of Western civilization.