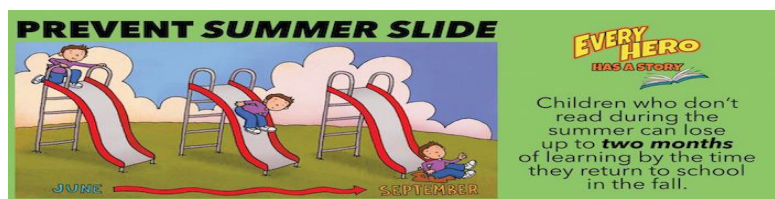


HCMS SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT 2023

Research has shown that reading during the summer is not only critical in building reading skills but also in maintaining reading gains from the prior school year. For this reason, summer reading is mandatory at HCMS.



You are required to read **TWO books of your choice**

To equal one book, it needs to be over 150 pages.

- Every 150 pages counts as another book.
 - Ex. 300+ = 2 books, 450+ = 3 books, etc.
- If under required pages, please read two+ books to equal required pages.
- Graphic novels & manga are allowed.

Need any clarifying information about summer reading or a recommendation for what to read? Please feel free to reach out to our librarian, Ms. Kellee Moyer at Kellee.Moye@ocps.net or on Instagram @mrs moyereads (Please just know her email response time will be delayed because of summer vacation.)

Assignment (two parts!):

- Log the minutes you read in Beanstack.
- When you finish a book, write a review of it in Beanstack.
 - The review should be a paragraph long and include:
 - 2-3 sentence summary
 - 2-3 sentences on what you thought about the book

Extra Information:

- Details on how to log reading in Beanstack can be found on the back.
- Once school starts, the focus will be on the requirement of 2 independent reading books per nine weeks for your language arts class; summer reading should be completed during the summer.
- Any summer reading book can count towards the Eagle Super Reader Program—more information about the program will be shared once school resumes.
- Students new to HCMS: You may not have access to Beanstack until the new school year begins, so keep track on your own to enter into Beanstack then.

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Summer reading is two books **of your choice**; however, we wanted to share some recommendations:



Author Jerry Craft is our 2024 visiting author. We highly recommend reading some of his books in preparation. Website: <https://jerrycraft.com/>



Check out the 2023-24 SSYRA list at www.floridamediaed.org/ssyra.html

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Visit <http://SummerReading.ocps.net> to learn about the OCPS Summer Reading Challenge! Share your reading experiences on social media with #OCPSreads

The OCPS Summer Reading Challenge is a BINGO card!
The more you read, the more entries you earn in Beanstack for prizes from OCPS!

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Log reading and review books on Beanstack for your Summer Reading Assignment AND for the #OCPSreads Summer Challenge!



To use Beanstack: Access via LaunchPad or download the app on your device

**We were the TOP MIDDLE SCHOOL for summer reading
THREE YEARS IN A ROW! Let's do it again!**

Library Research Tools

Library Research Tools, in LaunchPad, have many different opportunities to find eBooks & audiobooks to read!



Sora - OCPS

Sora also has ebooks and audiobooks available! (Also an app!)



Follett Destiny
(District...)

eBooks are also available via HCMS's Destiny Discover!
(6th graders will get access to HCMS's Destiny Discover in late July. Until then, you'll have access to your elementary school's.)



Virtual Library
Card

The Orange County Virtual Library Card is available for all OCPS Students and allows access to thousands of e-books and audiobooks.

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