

# HCMS SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT 2020

Research has shown that reading during the summer is not only critical in building reading skills but also in maintaining achievement 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**

Please make sure the novel is over 150 pages\*. (Graphic novels are allowed, but if they are under the required pages, please read two to equal the required pages.)

\*If you are an ESOL student who moved to the U.S. within the last 2 years, your page requirement is 100 pages per novel.

## Information:

- You will be completing assignments in your language arts class on your summer reading novels when we return to school. The assignment will be done during class time and will be completed sometime before August 21<sup>st</sup>.
  - After August 21<sup>st</sup>, the focus will be on the requirement of 2 independent reading books per nine weeks for your language arts class. If the summer reading requirement has not been completed by 8/21, the book will count towards the school-year requirement instead and you will not get credit for summer reading.
- It is recommended that you take notes while reading your books to help retain information for the beginning of the year assignments.
- Reading Counts quizzes for summer reading are not required.
  - Any tests taken on summer reading books (once you return to school in August) will count towards the Eagle Super Reader Program; however, they will not count towards the school year reading requirement of 2 books each nine weeks. You can go to <https://tinyurl.com/IsThereAnRCTest> to see if your book has an RC test.
- Summer library hours, summer RC tests, and a summer book club are contingent on the state, county, and district plans for the COVID-19. If any are able to happen, this information will be shared via social media and our newsletter (sign up by filling out <https://tinyurl.com/HCMSNewsletterSignUp>).

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



Author Nathan Hale is our 2021 visiting author. We highly recommend reading some of his books in preparation. Many are available using the Orange County Library's Virtual Library Card (information on back).

Website: <https://www.nathanhaleauthor.com/>



Check out the 2020-21 SSYRA list at [www.floridamediaed.org/ssyra.html](http://www.floridamediaed.org/ssyra.html)  
& past SSYRA lists at [www.floridamediaed.org/ssyra-archives.html](http://www.floridamediaed.org/ssyra-archives.html)

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If you need any help picking a book, please email our librarian, Mrs. Moye, at [Kellee.Moye@ocps.net](mailto:Kellee.Moye@ocps.net) or text her by joining her Remind at <https://www.remind.com/join/hcmsmoye> and she would be happy to help you find a book!



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Visit <http://SummerReading.ocps.net> to learn about the OCPS's Summer Reading Challenge!



Share your reading experiences on social media with #OCPSReads

Log reading on Beanstack -- we'll be using Beanstack data to giveaway prizes at the beginning of the year!

The OCPS's Summer Reading Challenge is available via LaunchPad, too.



To use Beanstack:

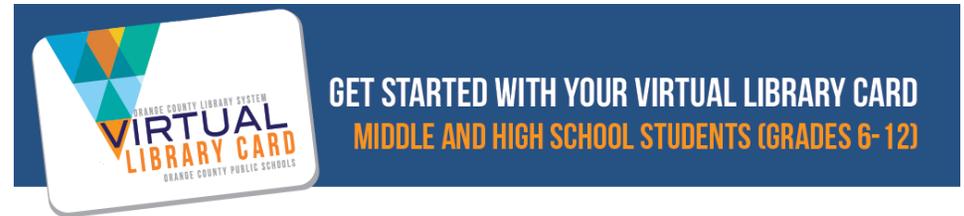
Either:

Download the app on your device.

Or:

Access via LaunchPad.

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



### OCPS STUDENTS LOGIN:

Access [launch.ocps.net](http://launch.ocps.net) on any device, or LaunchPad app on OCPS device. Select Library Research Tools.

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