

Presidio School 2019-2020 Required Summer Reading

Presidio School places a strong emphasis on the need for students to read outside of school in order to become exceptional readers and intrinsic learners. Therefore, students at all grade levels are assigned a book to be read over the summer. Below you will find the list of books selected for this summer. Each student is to read the assigned book by the first day of school in order to be prepared for associated graded projects that will take place the first week of school. The book selected for each class will also be the focal point for class discussions about Presidio’s campus conduct program which is centered on Character Counts and the Six Pillars of Character – Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring a

nd Citizenship. In order to facilitate completion of the summer reading, students may check out a copy of the assigned book from the school. Summer office hours are 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM, Monday through Friday. A refundable **cash only** deposit of \$5 to \$10 based upon the cost for each book checked out will be required under the summer lending program. Upon return of the book in good condition the deposit will be returned or applied to the student’s account, depending on parental preference, but only through the end of the 1st semester/ We hope that your child will enjoy the book selected for his/her class and will evidence the pillar of responsibility by completing the reading before the first day of school. **If you are securing your book elsewhere, please be aware that you must read unabridged versions.**

Grade Level	Book Title	Author	Lending Deposit
Kindergarten	<i>Howard B. Wigglebottom Learns</i> To be read to the student by parent/guardian	Howard Binkow	\$5.00
1 st Grade	<i>Frog and Toad are Friends</i>	Arnold Lobel	\$5.00
2 nd Grade	<i>Nate the Great</i>	Marjorie Weinman Sharmat	\$5.00
3 rd Grade	<i>Ramona Quimby: Age 8</i>	Beverly Cleary	\$5.00
4 th Grade	<i>Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing</i>	Judy Blume	\$5.00
5 th Grade	<i>American Tall Tales</i>	Adrien Stoutenburg	\$5.00
6 th Grade	<i>The House on Mango Street</i>	Sandra Cisneros	\$5.00
7 th Grade	<i>In the Shadow of the Sun</i>	Anne Sibley O’Brien	\$10.00
8 th Grade	<i>All American Boys</i>	Jason Reynolds	\$10.00
9 th Grade	<i>A Separate Peace</i>	John Knowles	\$8.00
10 th Grade	<i>For Whom the Bell Tolls</i>	Ernest Hemingway	\$10.00
11 th Grade	<i>Metamorphosis</i>	Franz Kafka	\$5.00
12 th Grade	<i>Fahrenheit 451</i>	Ray Bradbury	\$10.00

Recommended Reading List

On the Presidio School Website, you will find the school’s recommended summer reading list. You will find books listed by grade level that Presidio School has identified as excellent choices for summer reading. We do not expect students to read all of the books listed for the grade level they will be starting in the 2018-2019 school year, but we would encourage each student to read as many as possible over the summer and throughout the following school year. Through reading (or listening) to a variety of books, fiction and nonfiction, children build strong foundations of knowledge, increase vocabulary, and expand their cultural literacy which positively impacts academic achievement in writing, social studies, math, science and the arts. We also suggest that you peruse *Books To Build On-A Grade-by-Grade Resource Guide for Parents and Teachers* by E.D. Hirsch. This book contains an expansive list of books by recommended grade level about history, geography, literature, language, science, math and the fine arts.

*There is no frigate like a book
To take us lands away* -- Emily Dickinson