

Upcoming 5th graders should choose two books from this list and read them over the summer break. The student should be prepared to discuss the book in small groups.

5th Grade Reading List

- A Wrinkle in Time - Madeleine L'Engle
- A Year Down Yonder - Richard Peck
- All About Sam - Lois Lowry
- Anastasia Krupnik - Lois Lowry
- Any title from the Anastasia series - Lois Lowry
- Any title from the Dear America Series - various authors
- Around the World in a Hundred Years - Jean Fritz
- Because of Winn Dixie - Kate Dicamillo
- Behold the Dragons - Gail Gibbons
- Belle Teal - Ann M. Martin
- Bill Peet: An Autobiography - Bill Peet
- Bridge to Terabithia - Katherine Paterson
- Bull's Eye: A Photobiography of Annie Oakley - Sue Macy
- By the Great Horn Spoon - Sid Fleischman
- Caddie Woodlawn - Carol Rye Brink
- Call it Courage - Armstrong Sperry
- Call of the Wild - Jack London
- Celebrating Ramadan - Diane Hoyt-Goldsmith
- Chocolate Touch - Patrick Catling
- Dancing in Cadillac Light - Kimberly Willis Holt
- Dear Levi: Letters from the Overland Trail - Elvira Woodruff
- Dogs Have the Strangest Friends and Other True Stories of Animal Feelings - Jeffrey M. Masson
- Everything on a Waffle - Polly Horvath
- Fair Weather - Richard Peck
- Five Brave Explorers - Wade Hudson
- Follow the Drinking Gourd - Jeanette Winter
- Followers of the North Star - Susan Lechner & Susan Alman
- Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets - J. K. Rowling
- Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban - J. K. Rowling
- Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone - J. K. Rowling
- Heartland - Diane Seibert
- Helen Keller: The Story of My Life - Helen Keller
- Holes - Louis Sachar
- In the Eyes of the Cat: Japanese Poetry for All Seasons - Demi
- In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson - Betty Bao Lord
- Indian in the Cupboard - Lynne Reid Banks
- Letters from Rifka - Karen Hesse
- Lincoln: A Photobiography - Russell Freedman

- Looking for Pa: A Civil War Journal - Geraldine Lee Susi
- Maniac Magee - Jerry Spinelli
- My Side of the Mountain - Jean Craighead George
- My Teacher is an Alien - Bruce Coville
- Number the Stars - Lois Lowry
- Poppy - Avi
- Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry - Mildred Taylor
- Rosa Parks, My Story - Rosa Parks
- Shelter Dogs - Peg Kehret
- The Bad Beginning - Lemony Snicket
- The Ballad of Lucy Whipple - Karen Cushman
- The Boxcar Children - Gertrude Chandler Warner
- The Chimpanzees I Love: Saving Their World and Ours - Jane Goodall
- The Fighting Ground - Avi
- The Friendship - Mildred D. Taylor
- The Light in the Attic - Shel Silverstein
- The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe - C. S. Lewis
- The Return of the Indian in the Cupboard - Lynne Reid Banks
- The Secret Garden - Frances Hodgson Burnett
- The Secret of the Indian - Lynne Reid Banks
- The Sign of the Beaver - Elizabeth George Speare
- The Time-Warp Trio: 2095 - Jon Scieszka
- The Time-Warp Trio: Knights of the Kitchen Table - Jon Scieszka
- The Time-Warp Trio: Summer Reading is Killing Me - Jon Scieszka
- The Time-Warp Trio: The Good, the Bad, and the Goofy - Jon Scieszka
- The Time-Warp Trio: Tut, Tut - Jon Scieszka
- The Time-Warp Trio: Your Mother Was a Neanderthal - Jon Scieszka
- The Wright Brothers: How They Invented the Airplane - Russell Freedman
- This Time, Tempe Wick? - Patricia Lee Gauch
- To Walk the Sky Path - Phyllis R. Naylor
- Tuck Everlasting - Natalie Babbitt
- Walk Two Moons - Sharon Creech
- Where the Sidewalk Ends: Poems and Drawings - Shel Silverstein