

REQUIRED SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

for students entering grades 6 - 8
2020-2021

The Rochester Catholic Schools believe that reading is an important aspect of a child's education and one that should take place year round. As research shows, the more students read, the more they will acquire a love of reading. This "love of reading" is what we want to instill in our students from an early age. This summer, all students entering grades 6 - 8 will participate in a summer reading challenge.



FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 6:

This summer, please record the titles of any books you read on the challenge log. Before the first day of school, please read the short novel, *Fish in a Tree* by Lynda Hunt. Please select ONE of the three prompts and write a response explaining your thoughts on loose leaf or electronically.

Reading Power: Making Connections

- *Text to Faith* - explain in approximately 50 words how an event from this novel connects to our Catholic faith.
- *Text to Text* - explain in approximately 50 words how an event from this novel connects to another novel you have read.
- *Text to Self* - explain in approximately 50 words how an event from this novel connects to your own life.



Throughout the summer, record the titles, authors, and page numbers of any books you read on the challenge log. Please bring your "Making Connections" responses and your challenge log with you on the first day of school.

FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADES 7 OR 8:

This summer, you will be continuing your 40 Book Challenge! The goal is to read as many books as you can over the summer break! Please bring your log with you on the first day of school. All students MUST READ AT LEAST ONE NOVEL during the summer break. That novel must also be of an appropriate lexile level. Before the first day of school, please select one of the three prompts listed for ONE of the novels you read this summer. This can be completed either on loose leaf or electronically.

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- *Text to Text* - explain in approximately 50 words how an event from your book connects to another novel you have read.
- *Text to Self* - explain in approximately 50 words how an event from your book connects to your own life.

Name: _____

Grade: _____

Summer 2020

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE LOG

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** If you read *MORE THAN 20* novels this summer, continue your log on a sheet of loose-leaf paper OR on a separate Google Doc. Upon turning in your assignment, staple both pages together, along with your reading response paragraph.