Summer Reading List for students entering GRADE 7

This is an **OPTIONAL** assignment-

You may choose a book **on this list** or any book **on your reading level**

**Loser by Jerry Spinelli**

Donald Zinkoff is like all kids – running, playing, riding his bike, hoping for snow days, wanting to be his dad when he grows up. However, Zinkoff is also not like other kids. Raising his hand with all the wrong answers, tripping over his own feet, falling down with laughter over a word like “Jabip.” The kids have their own word to describe him, but Zinkoff is too involved in his own world to hear it.

**The Missing Series #1: Found by Margaret Peterson Haddix**

Written by the same author as *Among the Hidden*, thirteen-year-old Jonah has always known that he was adopted, and he's never thought it was any big deal. Then he and a new friend, Chip, who's also adopted, begin receiving mysterious letters. This mystery involves the FBI, a vast smuggling operation, an airplane that appeared out of nowhere -- and people who seem to appear and disappear at will. Do Jonah and Chip have any choice in the matter?

**Wonder by R.J. Palacio**

August Pullman was born with a facial difference that, up until now, has prevented him from going to a mainstream school. Starting 5th grade at Beecher Prep, he wants nothing more than to be treated as an ordinary kid—but his new classmates can't get past Auggie’s extraordinary face.

**Variant by Robinson Wells**

Benson Fisher thought that a scholarship to Maxfield Academy would be the ticket out of his dead-end life. He was wrong. Now he's trapped in a school that's surrounded by a razor-wire fence, where video cameras monitor his every move—and where breaking the rules equals death. All Benson wants is to find a way out. But when he stumbles upon the real secret the school has been hiding, he realizes that escape may be impossible.

**The Seer of Shadows by Avi**

A Horace Carpetine does not believe in ghosts. Raised to believe in science and reason, Horace Carpetine passes off spirits as superstition. Then he becomes an apprentice photographer and discovers an eerie—and even dangerous—supernatural power in his very own photographs.

**Graphic Novel: Maximum Ride: The Manga, Vol. 1 by James Patterson**

Fourteen-year-old Maximum Ride knows what it's like to soar above the world. She and all the members of her "flock"—Fang, Iggy, Nudge, Gasman, and Angel—are just like ordinary kids, except they have wings and can fly! It may seem like a dream come true to some, but for the flock it's more like a living nightmare. When the mysterious lab known as the "School" turns up and kidnap's their youngest member, it's up to Max to organize a rescue, but will help come in time?
Entering 7th Grade Summer Reading Assignment

NAME: ____________________________________________

NOVEL ONE PAGER-

Fill this out as you read the book.

Directions:

Top left: Draw a picture to represent the main conflict in the story

Bottom right: connect the theme to the world today

Top right: Who is the protagonist?

Cloud: Theme of the story – Lesson that’s learned

What is the character trait to describe them

Bottom left: Write an important quote from the text.

Bottom box: Write the title and author of the book