JT Williams Middle School Humanities Summer Reading List (2018-2019)

GRADE 7: ** Due by the end of the first week of school Read a minimum of two (2) books from this list during the summer • Choose only one (1) book from each group Write a 150-200 word book report • Tell about the book **and** whether or not you enjoyed the reading Group A: o A Tree Grows in Brooklyn (Betty Smith) o Jacob Have I Loved (Kate Paterson) o Treasure Island (Robert Louis Stevenson) o Huckleberry Finn (Mark Twain) **Group C:** o The Hobbit (JRR Tolkien) o A Pocket Full of Seeds (Marilyn Sachs) Group D: o The Call of the Wild (Jack London) o Hatchet (Gary Paulsen) **Group E:** o Dune (Frank Herbert) o The House of the Scorpion (Nancy Farmer) **Group F:** o Esperanza Rising (Pam Munoz Ryan) o Freak the Mighty (Rodman Philbrick) GRADE 8: ** Due by the end of the first week of school ✓ ___ Read a minimum of three (3) books from this list during the summer ■ Choose only one (1) book from each group On loose leaf paper, with a proper heading, Times New Roman, size 12, double spaced Write a one page book review for each book Group A: o *Catcher in the Rye* (J.D. Salinger) o The King of Dragons (Carol Fenner) **Group B:** o Of Mice and Men (John Steinbeck) Shane (Jack Schaefer) **Group C:** o Curiosity (Gary Blackwood) o The House of Dies Drear (Virginia Hamilton) Group D: o Norman Rockwell: Storyteller with a Brush (Beverly Gherman) o Mary Cassatt: Portrait of an American Impressionist (Tom Streissguth)

- **Group E:**o War of the Worlds (H.G. Wells)
 - o The Adventures of Tom Sawyer (Mark Twain)

Group F:

- o Little Women (Louisa May Alcott)
- o The Lord of the Flies (William Goldberg)