

Dear Upcoming Sixth-Graders,

Congratulations on completing the elementary stage of your education! We are looking forward to meeting you this coming fall. Summer vacation, just like entering sixth grade, can be an exciting and eventful time, so we wanted to remind you how important it is to continue reading on a daily basis.

At Hobart Middle School, all sixth-grade teachers require you to read for at least 30 minutes each school night and complete some type of activity, such as a reading log or journal reflection. The best way to improve at anything is to practice, practice, and practice! Don't let the summer months break the good reading habits you have already established!

To help you with your summer reading we have provided you with a list of recommended books from a variety of genres and authors. We have also provided you with a summer book review and an example of the type of reading logs you will see and complete this upcoming school year. Please select and read at least three books from different genres and complete a book review for each. Of the three books, choose your favorite and do your personal best on the reading log. Your language arts teacher will collect these from you at the beginning of the school year, as part of your first six weeks grade.

Don't forget that the Hobart Public Library offers a summer reading program in which you can earn prizes for reading! Also, Scholastic offers a summer reading program online, called *Summer Reading Buzz!* TM, which can be accessed at www.scholastic.com/summerreading. Here you can find fun games and more suggestions of great books to read.

Here's wishing you a happy and safe summer! See you in the fall.

Sincerely,

Your Sixth-Grade Teachers

^{*}All of this information can also be found at the School City of Hobart's website at www.hobart.k12.in.us. Then under "Schools," click on Hobart Middle School.