



Dear WCASD Families,

Reading is one of the most important activities that students can engage in to keep their minds sharp. This summer, WCASD students entering grades 6 through 12 are encouraged to read at least three to four books. Students should be prepared to discuss their books when we return for the 2024-25 school year.

Research shows that reading is most effective and students are most engaged when they have a choice in what they read. We encourage students to choose from various genres: biography, nonfiction, historical fiction, mystery, poetry, drama, etc. We ask that our families preview the books their child selects so that they are comfortable with the selection.

If your child is enrolled in AP Language or AP Literature, please refer to the specific school's webpage for requirements or recommendations.

Copies of books as well as many free, digital books are available through the [Chester County Library System](#), or students can use their school username and password to download books from [MackinVIA.com](#). Families and students may also purchase books if they prefer.

For book ideas, the following resources may be helpful:

- [Common Sense Media](#)
- [National Council of Teachers of English](#)
- [Read Brightly](#)
- [We Need Diverse Books](#)
- [Young Adult Library Services Association](#)

Please contact me if you have any questions or need assistance accessing books.

I wish you and your family a relaxing and enjoyable summer!

Sincerely,

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