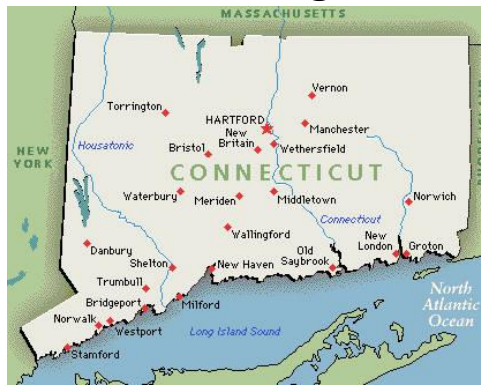


Region 1 Schools Suggested Summer Reading 2010

Students Entering 6th Grade



In honor of our state's 375th Anniversary this year, Governor Rell is encouraging students to read at least one book by a Connecticut author or a book set in Connecticut.

You can find a list of Connecticut authors here: <http://ct.webjunction.org/184/articles/content/434307>

And fiction set in Connecticut here: <http://ct.webjunction.org/510/-/articles/content/1090809>

Fiction

- *Wringer* by Jerry Spinelli
- *Face on the Milk Carton* By Caroline Cooney
- *Eragon* by Christopher Paolini
- *How to be Popular* by Meg Cabot
- *If the Witness Lied* by Caroline B. Cooney
- *Inkheart* by Cornelia Funke
- *The Dark Side of Nowhere* by Neal Schusterman
- *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* by Jeff Kinney
- *Out of the Dust* by Karen Hesse
- *The Westing Game* by Ellen Raskin
- *Bridge to Terabithia* by Katherine Patterson
- *Gabriel's Horses* by Alison Hart
- *3 Willows: The Sisterhood Grows* by Ann Brashares
- *Stargirl* by Jerry Spinelli
- *The Dark Portal* by Robin Jarvis
- *Benny and Omar* by Eoin Colfer
- *Keeping Score* by Linda Sue Park
- *Agnes Parker--Keeping Cool in Middle School* by Kathleen O'Dell
- *Toby Wheeler Eighth-Grade Benchwarmer* by Thatcher Heldring
- *Atherton The House of Power* by Patrick Carmen
- *Allie Finkle's Rules for Girls: Best Friends and Drama Queens* by Meg Cabot
- *Come Juneteenth* by Ann Rinaldi
- *The Bronze Pen* by Zilpha Keatley Snyder
- *Keeping Corner* by Kashmira Sheth
- *The Seer of Shadows* by Avi
- *Harris and Me* by Gary Paulsen
- *There's a Dead Person Following My Sister Around* by Vivian Vande Velde
- *The Batboy* by Mike Lupica

Series

- *Bone* by Jeff Smith
- *The Prydain Chronicles* by Lloyd Alexander
- *Children of the Lamp* by P.B. Kerr
- *Percy Jackson and the Olympians* by Rick Riordan
- *City of Ember Trilogy* by Jeanne DuPrau
- *Mediator* by Meg Cabot
- *Uglies, Pretties, Specials, and Extras* by Scott Westerfeld
- *Pendragon* by D.J. MacHale
- *Joey Pigza* by Jack Gantos
- *Diary of a Wimpy Kid Series* by Jeff Kinney
- *Among the Hidden* by Margaret Peterson Haddix
- *Artemis Fowl* by Eoin Colfer
- *Chronicles of Narnia* by C.S. Lewis
- *Dear America* by Various Authors
- *The 39 Clues* by Rick Riordan

Classics

- The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien
- Beowulf: Dragonslayer by Rosemary Sutcliff
- Call of the Wild by Jack London
- The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett
- Little Women by Louisa May Alcott
- The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

2011 Nutmeg Nominees

Grade 4-6

- **Elephant Run** by Roland Smith
- **Eleven** by Patricia Reilly Giff
- **First Light** by Rebecca Stead
- **Iron Thunder** by Avi
- **The Lemonade War** by Jacqueline Davies
- **Night of the Howling Dogs** by Graham Salisbury
- **No Talking** by Andrew Clements
- **One-Handed Catch** by M.J. Auch
- **Swindle** by Gordon Korman
- **The Thing About Georgie** by Lisa Graff

Grades 7-8

- **All of the Above** by Shelley Pearsall
- **Alphabet of Dreams** by Susan Fletcher
- **Chains** by Laurie Halse Anderson
- **The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks** by E. Lockhart
- **Home of the Brave** by Katherine Applegate
- **The Last Dragon** by Silvana de Mari
- **The London Eye Mystery** by Siobhan Dowd
- **Unwind** by Neal Shusterman
- **Waiting for Normal** by Leslie Connor
- **The Wednesday Wars** by Gary D. Schmidt

Non-Fiction

Many students are interested in nonfiction books about people, history, animals, technology, art, and science. Students should look for books according to their interest. Remember how the nonfiction section of a library is arranged.

000's General Knowledge – Encyclopedias, almanacs and more

Example: *Fooled You! Fakes and Hoaxes Through the Year* by Elaine Pascoe (001.9 PAS)

100's Psychology and Philosophy – Feelings, logic, making friends and more

200's Religions and Mythology – Bible stories, Native American Myths, Greek Myths, and more

300's Social Sciences & Folklore – Families, careers, government, folktales & more

400's Languages – English, Spanish, sign language, grammar & more

500's Math and Science – Math, animals, rocks, plants, fossils, space and more

Example: *The Wolves Are Back* by Jean Craighead George (599.773 GEO)

600's Medicine and Technology – Inventions, machines, farming, health, "How To" section and more

Example: *ER Vet: Life in an Animal Emergency Room* by Donna M. Jackson (636.08 JAC)

700's Arts & Recreation – Crafts, painting, music, games, sports & more

Example: *Balls! Round 2* by Michael J. Rosen (793.3 ROS)

800's Literature – Poetry, plays, novels from other countries & more

Example: *Relatively Speaking: Poems About Family* by Ralph Fletcher (811 FLE)

900's Geography & History – The U.S.A., other countries, biographies & more

Example: *Yes We Can: A Biography of President Barack Obama* by Garen Thomas (921 OBA)

Spend the summer with Mark Twain, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Caroline Cooney, Susan Cooper, or Mike Lupica.
Read a Connecticut author!