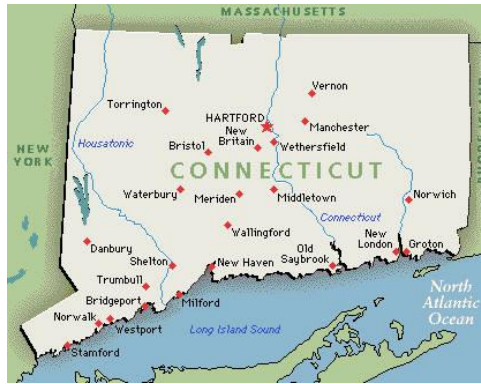


Region 1 Schools Suggested Summer Reading 2010

Students Entering 7th and 8th 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>

Authors Not To Be Missed!

- Joan Bauer
- Judy Blume
- Suzanne Collins
- Caroline Cooney
- Sharon Creech
- Chris Crutcher
- Sarah Dessen
- Lois Duncan
- Nancy Farmer
- Jack Gantos
- Anthony Horowitz
- Robert Lipsyte
- Mike Lupica
- Chris Lynch
- Walter Dean Myers
- Katherine Paterson
- Susan Beth Pfeffer
- Philip Pullman
- Rick Riordan
- Jerry Spinelli
- Suzanne Fisher Staples
- Jacqueline Woodson

Fiction

- *Skellig* by David Almond
- *The Purple Emperor* by Herbie Brennan
- *Eldest* by Christopher Paolini
- *Blackwater* by Eve Bunting
- *Locomotion* by Jacqueline Woodson
- *After Tupac and D Foster* by Jacqueline Woodson
- *Lawn Boy Returns* by Gary Paulsen
- *The Red Pyramid* by Rick Riordan
- *The New Policeman* by Kate Thompson
- *Along for the Ride* by Sarah Dessen
- *Life As We Knew It* by Susan Beth Pfeffer
- *So Yesterday* by Scott Westerfeld
- *Thief Lord* by Cornelia Funke
- *Singularity* by William Sleator
- *The Killing Sea* by Richard Lewis
- *Son of the Mob* by Gordon Korman
- *One Fat Summer* by Robert Lipsyte
- *Scorpions* by Walter Dean Myers
- *Wintergirls* by Laurie Halse Anderson
- *Guys Write for Guys Read* by Jon Scieszka
- *Fat Kid Rules the World* by Kelly Going
- *Nightmare* by Joan Lowery Nixon
- *Savvy* by Ingrid Law
- *When You Reach Me* by Rebecca Stead
- *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak
- *The Boy Who Dared* by Susan Campbell Bartoletti
- *Airman* by Eoin Colfer
- *The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate* by Jacqueline Kelly

Classics

- The Hobbit by J.R.R. Tolkien
- The Sword and the Circle by Rosemary Sutcliff
- Call of the Wild by Jack London
- Shane by Jack Schaefer
- Little Women by Louisa May Alcott
- The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

Series

- *Twilight Collection* by Stephanie Meyer
- *Alex Rider Adventures* by Anthony Horowitz
- *Midnighters* by Scott Westerfeld
- *Uglies, Pretties, Specials, and Extras* by Scott Westerfeld
- *Pendragon* by D.J. MacHale
- *The Princess Diaries* by Meg Cabot
- *Bartimaeus Trilogy* by Jonathon Stroud
- *Lord of the Rings* by J.R.R. Tolkien
- *Johnny Maxwell Trilogy* by Terry Pratchett
- *The Lost Years of Merlin* by T. A. Barron
- *Bone* by Jeff Smith
- *Maximum Ride* by James Patterson
- *The Hunger Games* by Suzanne Collins

2011 Nutmeg Nominees -- Grades 7-8

- *All of the Above* by Shelley Pearsall
- *Alphabet of Dreams* by Susan Fletcher
- *Chains* by Laurie Halse Anderson
- *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
- *The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks* by E. Lockhart

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: *America's Engineering Marvels* by Carol Highsmith and Ted Landphair (030 HIG)

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: *The Space Shuttle* by Jeffrey Zuehlke (629.44 ZUE)

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

Example: *Adventures in Cartooning* by James Sturm (741.5 STU)

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

Example: *Knucklehead: Tall Tales and Almost True Stories of Growing up Scieszka* by Jon Scieszka (813 SCI)

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

Example: *Lucy Long Ago: Uncovering the Mystery of Where We Came From* by Catherine Thimmesh (569.9 THI)

Spend the summer with Mark Twain, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Caroline Cooney, Susan Cooper, or Mike Lupica.

Read a Connecticut author!