

# Allegheny East Conference Suggested Systemic Ongoing Grade Level Reading List



(This ongoing list will be upgraded periodically and can be used to supplement classroom themes and support summer reading enrichment programs).

## Improving Literacy Using Supplemental Reading Genres in Allegheny East Conference Schools

The Curriculum Committee and educators have compiled the beginning of an ongoing supplemental reading list for grades K-8. This list is designed to be used in classrooms to assist with improving literacy in all grades as well as support and encourage summer reading enrichment.

The books selected for this list are designed to appeal to the many interests and reading levels of the students. Many of the books support the themes and concepts implemented using the NAD curriculum and Common Core State Standards for the core subjects.

Each student in grades 1-8 will be required to read one of the books and complete a project on that book by the end of the first nine weeks in the ELA classes.

During the summer months, families are encouraged to assist students with selecting books from the list that are age-appropriate for their grade level.

Below are listed questions that teachers, parents or guardians can ask children that will guide and stimulate the reading experience.

*As You Read*

*(Use the questions below to guide your understanding of the content of the book.)*

- *Reviewing the cover front and back of this book, can you project what this story may be about?*
- *How did where this story took place add to developing the main idea?*
- *Is there antagonist in this story? Describe the character of the antagonist if there is one.*
- *Is there a protagonist in this story? Describe the character of the protagonist if there is one.*
- *What is the most important lesson the main character/s gained in the story?*
- *What part of the story did you favor most and why?*
- *What part of the story did you least favor and why?*
- *If you were given the opportunity to rewrite any part of this story, what would you change?*

**Kindergarten Reading List**

Title	Author
Kindergarten Rocks	Katie Davis
Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten	Joseph Slate
On the Way to Kindergarten	Virginia L. Kroll
The Night Before Kindergarten	Natasha Wing
Look Out Kindergarten, Here I Come	Nancy L. Carlson
I Love School	Philemon Sturges
Friends at School	Rochelle Bunnett
How to be a Friend	Laurie & Marc Brown
Baby Says	John Steptoe
Who Took the Farmer’s Hat	Joan Nodset
I Love Saturdays y Domingos	Alma Flor Ada
Whistle for Wilie	Ezra Jack Keats
It’s Okay to be Different	Todd Parr
Corduroy	Don Freeman
Down by Bay	Raffi

We All Went on a Safari: A Counting Journey Through Tanzania  
 10 Things I Can Do to Help My World  
 Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?  
 Dear Zoo  
 The Little Engine That Could  
 The Rainbow Fish  
 The Very Hungry Caterpillar  
 The Kissing Hand  
 Princes and the Pea  
 Cleversticks  
 The Opposite  
 Are You My Mother

Laurie Krebs  
 Melanie Walsh  
 Bill Martin & Eric Carle  
 Rod Campbell  
 Watty Piper  
 Marcus Pfister  
 Eric Carle  
 Audrey Penn  
 Hans C. Andersen  
 Bernard Ashley  
 Tom MacRae  
 P. E. Eastman



### First Grade Reading List

Title

Author

The Night Before First Grade  
 School Bus  
 Corduroy  
 First Day  
 Harry the Dirty Dog  
 ! Perros! ! Perros! Dogs! Dogs!  
 Do Unto Otters: A Book About Manners  
 First Grade, Here I Come!  
 Baby Says  
 Who Took the Farmer's Hat

Natasha Wing  
 Donald Crews  
 Don Freeman  
 J. Patrick Lewis & Bell Zappitello  
 Gene Zion  
 Ginger Foglesong Guy  
 Laurie Keller  
 Nancy Carlson  
 John Steptoe  
 Joan Nodset

Sick in Bed	Pat Cummings
I Miss Grandpa	Karen Holford
A Day at Greenhill Farm	Sue Nicholson
Bears on Wheels	Stan & Jan Berenstain
Pokey the Runaway Bear	Ethel M. Neff
Chicka Chicka Boom Boom	Bill Martin
Hop on Pop	Dr. Seuss
A Chair for My Mother	Vera B. Williams
The Warrior Maiden	Denise Donning
Cleversticks	Bernard Ashley
Our Earth: Making Less Trash	Peggy Hock
Adelita: A Mexican Cinderella Story	Tomie DePaola
I Can Count Money	Rebecca Wingard-Nelson
Are You My Mother	P. E. Eastman
Honey, I Love	Eloise Greenfield
Wangari's Trees of Peace: A True Story From Africa	Jeanette Winter
I Went Walking	Sue Williams
Green Eggs and Ham	Dr. Seuss
Princess and the Pea	Han C. Andersen
The Kissing Hand	Audrey Penn
Swimmy	Leo Lionni



## Second Grade Reading List

Title	Author
The Growing Tree	Shel Silverstein
First Day	J. P. Lewis & Beth Zappitello
Get Ready for Second Grade, Amber Brown	Paula Danziger
Harry the Dirty Dog	Gene Zion
A Bear for Miguel	Elaine Marie
Thurgood Marshall	Christine Taylor-Bulter
On No, Gotta Go!	Susan Middleton Elya
Green Eggs and Ham	Dr. Seuss
Do Dolphins Really Smile?	Laura Driscoll
Charlie Horse	Deanie H. Dunne
Will We Miss Them?	Alexandra Wright

I Miss Grandpa	Karen Holford
Twice Yours: A Parable of God's Gift	Nan Gurley
Peter's Chair	Ezar Jack Keats
Helen Keller	David Adler
Too Many Rabbits	Peggy Parish
Amelia Bedelia Collection	Peggy Parish
Freckle Juice	Judy Blume
A Chair for My Mother	Vera B. Williams
How to Eat Fried Worms	Thomas Rockwell
The One in the Middle is a Green Kangaroo	Judy Blume
All in Just One Cookie	Susan B. Goodman
The Very Hungry Caterpillar	Eric Carle
The Doorbell Rang	Rex Stout
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Dad	Judith Viorst
And Then What Happened, Paul Revere?	Jean Fritz



### Third Grade Reading List

Title	Author
Abe Lincoln's Hat	Martha Brenner
The Growing Tree	Shel Silverstein
Charlotte's Web	E. B. White
The Courage of Sarah Noble	Alice Dalgliesh
Julius! The Perfectly Pesky Pet Parrot	Veralee Wiggins
Sarah, Plain and Tall	Patricia Maclachlan
Wagon Wheels	Barbara Brenner
Helen Keller Courage in the Dark	Bob Dylan

From Slave to Soldier  
 Mufaro's Beautiful Daughters: An African Tale  
 Shanyi Goes To China  
 Dear Mr. Henshaw  
 I am Rosa Parks  
 And Then What Happened, Paul Revere  
 Pippi Longstocking  
 Talkin' About Bessie: The Story of Aviator Bessie Coleman  
 Be a Perfect Person in Just Three Days  
 Shh! We're Writing the Constitution  
 Henry Huggins  
 American Slave, American Hero: York  
 The Hundred Dresses  
 Emma's Rug  
 The Story of George Washington Carver  
 Ramona the Pest  
 Nim's Island  
 Thurgood Marshall  
 The Honest to Goodness Truth

Deborah Hopkinson  
 John Steptoe  
 Sungwan So  
 Beverly Cleary  
 Rosa Parks  
 Jean Fritz  
 Astrid Lindgren  
 Nikki Grimes  
 Stephen Manes  
 Jean Fritz  
 Beverly Cleary  
 Laurence Pringle  
 Eleanor Estes  
 Allen Say  
 Eva Moore  
 Beverly Cleary  
 Wendy Orr  
 Christine Tatlor-Bulter  
 Patricia McKissack



### Fourth Grade Reading List

Title

Author

Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing  
 From the Mixed-Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler  
 The Whipping Boy  
 Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimh  
 George Washington Carver  
 Away West  
 Nim's Island  
 The Rough-Face Girl  
 Freedom on the Menu: The Greensboro Sit-Ins

Judy Blume  
 E. L. Konigsburg  
 Sid Fleischman  
 Robert C. O'Brien  
 Tonya Bolden  
 Pat McKissack  
 Wendy Orr  
 Rafe Martin  
 Carole Boston Weatherford

Barack Obama: United States President  
 No Talking  
 Love that Dog  
 Steal Away Home  
 Caddie Woodlawn  
 Freedom Crossing  
 Sign of the Beaver  
 The War With Grandpa  
 A Gold Star for Eric  
 Twenty and Ten  
 Yuki: An Alaskan Adventure  
 Pippi Longstocking  
 George Washington's Socks  
 Shadow of the Bull  
 Akimbo and the Lions  
 Summer of the Swans  
 Where the Sidewalk Ends

Roberta Edwards  
 Andrew Clements  
 Sharon Creech  
 Lois Ruby  
 Carol Ryrie Brink  
 Margaret Goff Clark  
 Elizabeth George Speare  
 Robert Kimmel Smith  
 Colleen L. Reece  
 Claire H. Bishop  
 Bonnie Leon  
 Astrid Lindgren  
 Elvira Woodruff  
 Maia Wojciechowska  
 Alexander McCall Small  
 Betsy Byars  
 She Silverstein



### Fifth Grade Reading List

Title

Author

Steal Away Home  
 Eleanor Roosevelt  
 If I Grew Up With George Washington  
 Amos Fortune  
 My Side of the Mountain  
 George Washington's Sock  
 Sign of the Beaver  
 Gully's Travels  
 Each Little Bird that Sings  
 The Crow Girl

Lois Ruby  
 Lisa Trumbaer  
 Ruth Groass  
 Elizabeth Yates  
 Jean Craighead George  
 Elivra Woodruff  
 Elizabeth George Speare  
 Tor Seidler  
 Deborah Wiles  
 Bodil Bredsdorff

A Week in the Woods	Andrew Clements
Dexter the Tough	Margaret Peterson Haddix
The Bug Scientists	Donna M. Jackson
Eat Your Math Homework: Recipes for Hungry Minds	Ann McCallum
Who is Louis Armstrong	Yona Zeldis McDonough
Whittington	Alan W. Armstrong
Shepherd Warrior	Bradley Booth
Socks	Beverly Clearly
Journey to Jo'burg: A South African Story	Beverly Naidoo
Lewis and Clark: Opening the American West	Ellen Rodgers
Jip: His Story	Katherine Paterson
Bridge to Terabithia	Katherine Paterson
The Great Gilly Hopkins	Katherine Paterson
Oliver Twist	Charles Dickens
Lionboy	Zizou Corder
Stone Fox	John Reynolds Gradiner
The Wish	Gail Carson Levine
Middle School is Worse Than Meatloaf	Jennifer L. Holm
On My Honor	Rick Perry
Shadow of the Bull	Maia Wojciechowska
The Indian in the Cupboard	Lynne R. Bank

### Grades 6-8 Reading List-1

Title	Author
Steal Away Home	Lois Ruby
Amos Fortune	Elizabeth Yates
My Side of the Mountain	Jean Craighead George
George Washington's Sock	Elivra Woodruff
A School for Pompey Walker	Michael J. Rosen
Sign of the Beaver	Elizabeth George Speare
Lionboy	Zizou Corder
Return to Sender	Julia Alvarez
The Crow Girl	Bodil Bredsdorff
A Boy Called Slow	Joseph Bruchac
Lyddie	Katherine Paterson
A Week in the Woods	Andrew Clements
Dexter the Tough	Margaret Peterson Haddix



The Bug Scientists	Donna M. Jackson
All Things Bright and Beautiful	James Herriot
Eat Your Math Homework: Recipes for Hungry Minds	Ann McCallum
Who is Louis Armstrong	Yona Zeldis McDonough
Whittington	Alan W. Armstrong
Shepherd Warrior	Bradley Booth
Eleanor Roosevelt	Lisa Trumbauer
Stone Fox	John R. Gardiner
Journey to Jo'burg: A South African Story	Beverly Naidoo
Lewis and Clark: Opening the American West	Ellen Rodgers
Jip: His Story	Katherine Paterson
Bridge to Terabithia	Katherine Paterson
If I Grew Up With George Washington	Ruth Gross
The Great Gilly Hopkins	Katherine Paterson
Oliver Twist	Charles Dickens
Hoops	Walter D. Myers
Woodsong	Gary Paulsen
From Homelessness, to the Blind Side, and Beyond	Michael Oher
The Voice That Challenged a Nation-Marion Anderson	Russell Freedman
Stone Fox	John Reynolds Gradiner
The Wish	Gail Carson Levine
Middle School is Worse Than Meatloaf	Jennifer L. Holm
On My Honor	Rick Perry

### Grades 6-8 Reading List-2

Title	Author
Middle School is Worse Than Meatloaf	Jennifer L. Holm
Journey to Jo'Burg : A South African Story	Beverly Naidoo
Loser	Jerry Spinelli
The Gold Cadillac	Mildred Taylor
A Single Shard	Linda S. Park
All of the Above	Shelley Pearsall
Bud, Not Buddy	Christopher P. Curtis
The Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson	Bette Bao Lord
Three Times Lucky	Shelia Turnage
On My Honor	Rick Perry
Nelson Mandela	Barry Denenberg
Torn	David Massey
Esperanza Rising	Pam Munoz Ryan

Oliver Twist	Charles Dickens
The Boy on the Wooden Box	Leon Leyson
I am Matala: The Girl Who Stood Up	Malala Yousafzai
Waiting for the Rain	Shelia Gordon
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry	Mildred Taylor
From Rags to Riches: A History of Girls' Clothing in America	Leslie Sills
Natural Disasters	Claire Watts
Hidden Girl: The True Story...Child Slave	Shyima Hall
Neighborhood Odes	Gary Soto
The Watson's Go to Birmingham...1963	Christophe P. Curtis
The Call of the Wild	Jack London
The Distance Between Us	West Kasie
The Westing Game	Ellen Rakin
Thirteen Little Blue Envelopes	Maureen Johnson
The Giver	Lois Lowry
Where the Red Ferns Grow	Wilson Rawls
Enclave	Ann Aguirre
The Talking Earth	Jean Craighead George
Petey	Ben Mikaelson
Bronz Masquerade	Nikki Grimes
I'll Be There	Holly Goldberg Sloan
Shadow of the Bull	Maia Wojciechowska
The Indian in the Cupboard	Lynne R. Bank