

## The Riverton Street Charter School

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When I look back, I am so impressed again with the life giving power of literature. If I were a young person today, trying to gain a sense of myself in the world, I would do that again by reading, just as I did when I was young.... Maya Angelou

Indeed, students gain a better sense of themselves through the exploration of different characters and their experiences in literature. Summer is a time of fun, exploration, and growth for middle school students; it is the perfect time to **READ**, **READ**, and **READ!** To read for pleasure can be one of the most rewarding activities in life. Now that the school year is coming to an end, we encourage you to continue to enjoy worthwhile books over the summer.

There is one required summer reading book. Please read *One Crazy Summer by Rita Williams Garcia*. There will be an in class activity on this book at the beginning of 6th grade. During reading, give some thought to the, characters, setting, theme and even the chapter titles. Think about why the author named them as she did.

Please read as many books as you would like from the Summer Reading List below for Rising 6th Graders.

Shakespeare's Secret by Elise Broach
Me and Marvin Gardens by Amy Sarig King
The First Rule of Punk by Celia C. Pérez
The Seventh Most Important Thing by Shelley Pearsall
The Key to Extraordinary by Natalie Lloyd
The Wild Robot by Peter Brown
I wish you a wonderful summer and look forward to welcoming you to sixth grade.

Happy Reading!

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