

# *Summer Means Freedom!*

## *Freedom to choose your own summer reading books!*

Students entering middle school will be required to read two books of your choice this summer. Your books must be approved by your parents. If you need help selecting a book, there is a “Find a Book” tool on the Lexile webpage. Your Lexile measure is included with the Performance Series end-of-year testing results. The Lexile score is only a guideline, giving you a comfortable reading level. Additionally, the website allows you to filter books by interest categories. Simply go to <https://lexile.com/fab/>. The Arlington Diocese also provides a suggested summer reading list.

When you return to school in August, be prepared to engage in an oral discussion of your book. Your oral participation will be one of your first grades next fall. A formal written book report is not required, but you should have some notes for reference. Here are some questions you should be prepared to answer.

- ✓ Was your book fiction or nonfiction?
- ✓ What is the genre of book?
- ✓ Who were the main characters?
- ✓ What is the basic plot of the book?
- ✓ Was there a conflict the characters faced? How were they resolved?
- ✓ What is your opinion of the book?

After the oral discussion, be prepared to complete a small project on your summer reading – more details to come in August! Lastly, please have the following sheet completed with the title, author, and approval signature page completed by the *first* day of school.

## *Enjoy your summer reading!*

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Student name: \_\_\_\_\_

Book 1 Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Book 2 Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Approval: \_\_\_\_\_