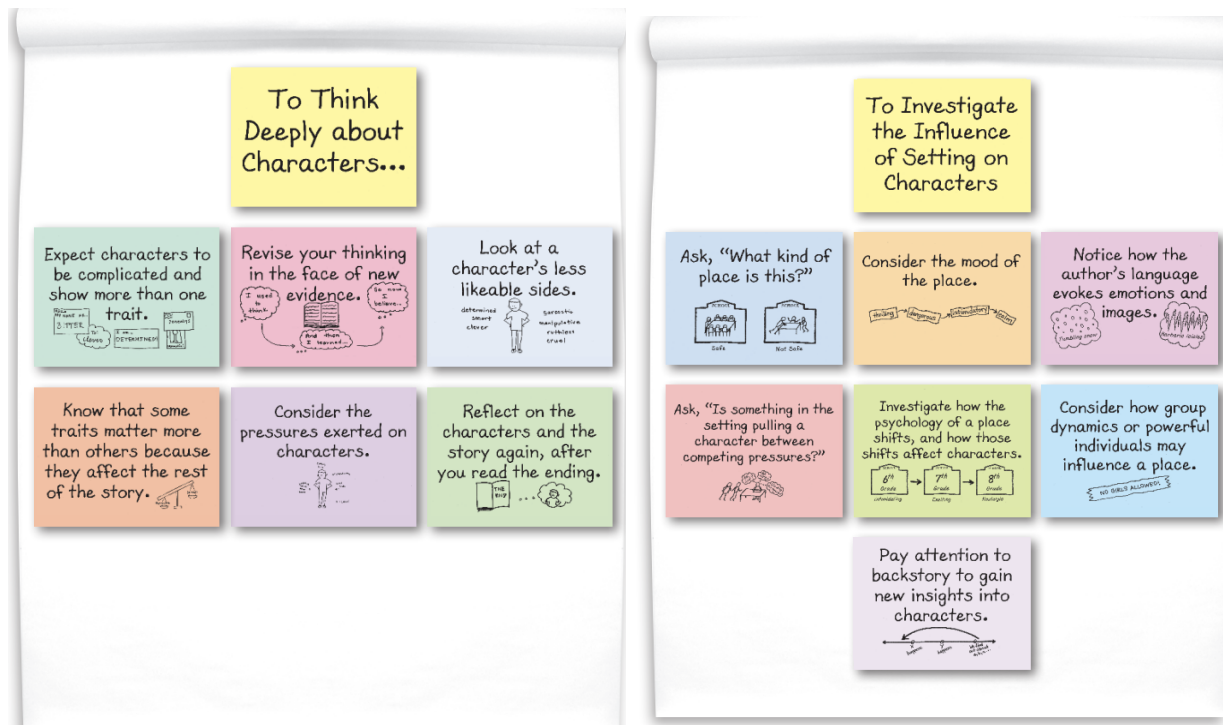


June 24, 2022

Dear Rising 7th Graders,

Congratulations on your completion of 6th grade! We are excited for next fall as you continue your middle school journey at YEMS. In order to start the year off on the right foot, we ask that all rising 7th grade students take some time to read **at least two books on the list below, and the *required* short story attached, “Seventh Grade” by Gary Soto.** We will use this short story and books, along with others like them, in our first reading unit in 7th grade.

Here are some things you can *think* about while you read:



We can't wait to read and write with you next year!

Warmly,
Ms. O'Grady and Mrs. Gallegos
7th Grade ELA

Summer Book List:

(the books are listed from least to most challenging, please try to challenge yourself and step out of your comfort zone when choosing a book)



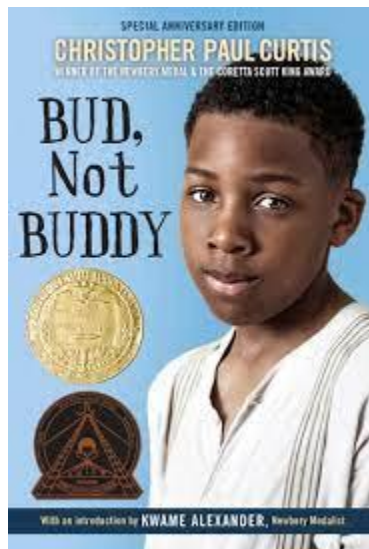
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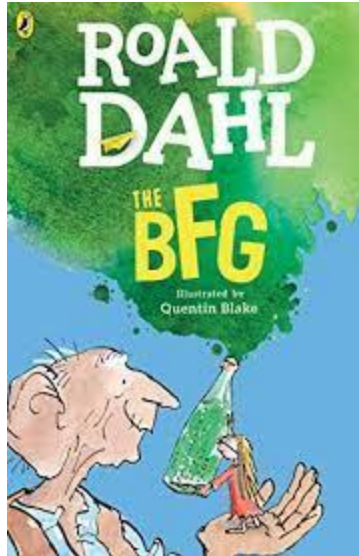
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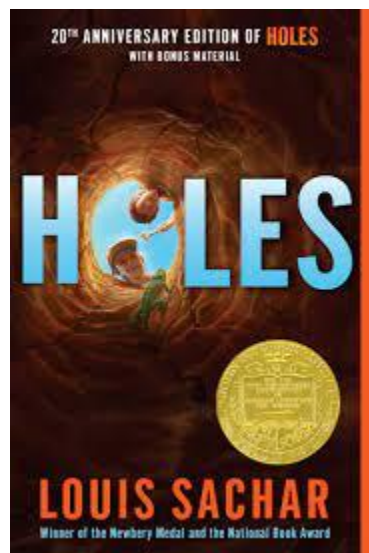
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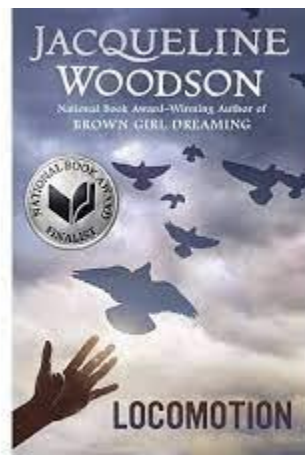
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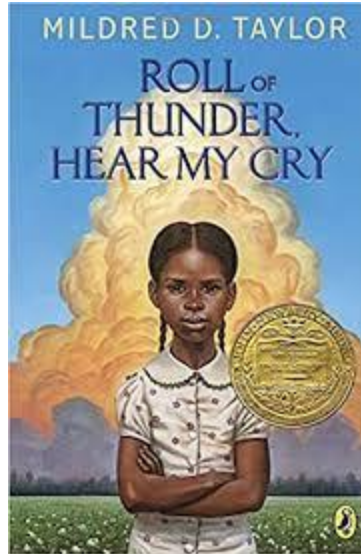
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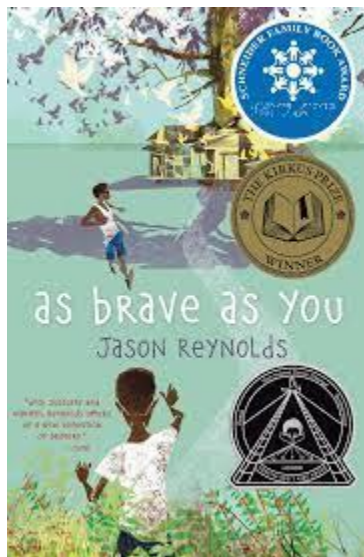
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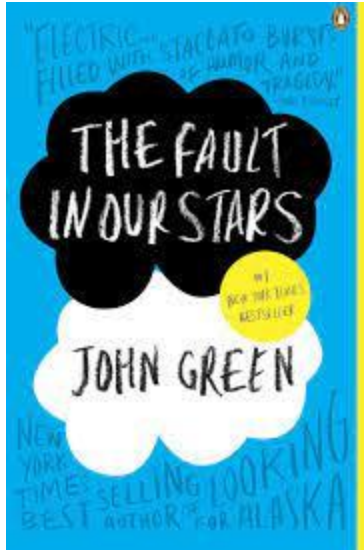
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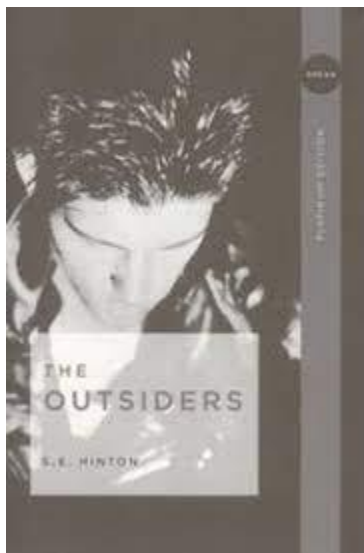
[The Maze Runner by James Dashner](#)



[Punching the Air by Ibi Zoobi and Yusef Salaam](#)



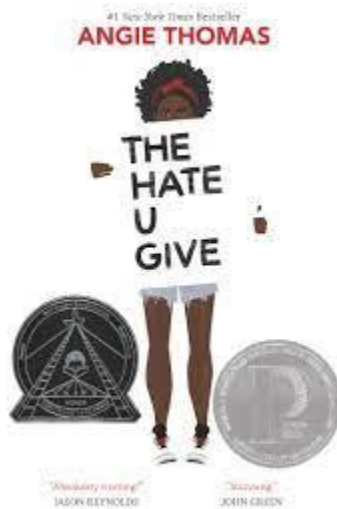
[The Fault in Our Stars by John Green](#)



[The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton](#)



[One of Us is Lying by Karen M. McManus](#)



[The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas](#)