Lake Central School Corporation Middle Schools Advanced ELA Summer Reading List – 2025

5th grade

Running Out of Time by Margaret Peterson Haddix

6th grade

Gregor the Overlander by Suzanne Collins

7th grade

- Refugee by Alan Gratz
- The Little Prince by Antoine de Saint-Exupery

8th grade

- The House of the Scorpion by Nancy Farmer
- All 8th grade advanced ELA students must also choose ONE of the following to read as well:
 - The Notorious Benedict Arnold: A True Story of Adventure, Heroism & Treachery by Steve Sheinkin
 - October Sky by Homer Hickam

We ask that all students have their summer reading done by the first day of school. Students should expect tests/quizzes and other assessments over the summer readings. Teachers will go over specific due dates for the quizzes and performance assessments with students once school begins.

It's also preferred that students have an actual copy of the book with them if possible (digital copies of the book on a Nook, Kindle, etc. are fine as well) so that they can complete the activities, many of which require referencing the text and providing text-based evidence. This is where having a copy of the book is helpful.