

# North Arlington Public Schools Elementary Summer Reading List



## *The Sun Comes Out When You Read!*

Through our *Summer Reading Challenge* for incoming students in grades 1-5, we hope to foster a lifelong love of reading! In this packet, you will find a suggested book list and reading log. We encourage you and your child(ren) to find texts that are *just right* based on his/her/their guided reading level. Please note that students are welcome to read titles that are not included in this packet.

**Understanding Reading Levels:** Reading levels are determined by Teacher's College Benchmarks. Here is a viewer-friendly chart that outlines the levels appropriate for your child(ren) based on his/her/their comprehension and grade levels [http://teacher.scholastic.com/products/guidedreading/leveling\\_chart.htm](http://teacher.scholastic.com/products/guidedreading/leveling_chart.htm)

**How to check reading levels of alternate texts:** To check the reading level of a book you can use [www.booksources.com](http://www.booksources.com) or download the *Scholastic Book Wizard* app on your phone.

**About the Reading Log:** The reading log should be utilized to keep track of the total amount of minutes read. This will be submitted to next year's teacher during the first week of school. *The student who reads the greatest number of minutes in each grade will receive a prize!*

# Leveled Booklist

*These recommended ranges are based on Teacher's College and have been reviewed by the district administration, teachers, and Reading Specialist in order to provide the most appropriate progress markers.*

## Level A = Kindergarten- 1st Grade

- Let's Go! by Vanessa York
- What Can I Be? by Cari Meister
- Sea Animals by Annie Thomas
- School Day! by Jesus Cervantes
- My Mom by Andy Greer
- What Do Insects Do? by Susan Canizares
- Elephants Like To... by Janelle Cherrington
- Playing by Avelyn Davidson
- Big Cat by Ethan Long

## Level B = Kindergarten- 1st Grade

- Eddie the Raccoon (series) by Catherine Friend
- The Best Pet by Liza Charlesworth
- That Cat by Liza Charlesworth
- Ducks in Muck by Lori Haskins
- Firefighters Are Heroes by Liza Charlesworth
- Up by Joe Cepeda
- Bear Wakes Up by Ryder Shava
- Dinosaur Goes to the Library by Ken Alside
- Game Day by Cari Meister

## Level C = Kindergarten- 1st Grade

- Good News, Bad News by Jeff Mack
- Hide and Seek by Summer Shah
- Duke the Dog (Pet Tales series) by David Lee
- KoKo the Cat (Pet Tales series) by Caitie McAnaney
- See Otto (The Adventures of Otto series) by David Milgrim
- It Looked Like Spilled Milk by Charles D. Shaw
- Brown Bear, Brown Bear What Do You See? by Bill Martin
- Pug by Ethan Long

## Level D = Kindergarten- 1st Grade

- A Season of Sight Words (series) by Shannon Penney
- Max Has a Fish by Wiley Blevins
- The Dinosaur Dance by Dot Meharry
- Go Otto Go (The Adventures of Otto series) by David Milgrim
- Noodles: I'm So Grumpy (series) by Hans Wilhelm
- Noisy Breakfast by Ellen Blonder
- Ballerina Girl! by Kristen Hall
- Oh David! (series) by David Shannon
- Big Dog and Little Dog by Dav Pilkey

## Level E = Kindergarten- 1st Grade

- Toad Makes a Road by Phil Roxbee Cox
- Pete the Cat: Too Cool for School (series) by Kimberly and James Dean
- Today is Monday by Eric Carle
- Does a Kangaroo Have a Mother, Too? by Eric Carle
- David Smells! (series) by David Shannon
- You Are (Not) Small by Christopher Weyant
- Clifford Can by Wiley Blevins
- Gus Gets Mad (series) by Frank Remkiewicz
- Down on the Farm by Merrily Kutner
- X Marks the Spot by Libby Brereton
- I Like Bugs by Margaret Wise Brown
- Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed by Eileen Chistelow
- Cat's Colors by Jane Cabrera
- Ice Cream Soup by Ann Ingalls
- A Box Can Be Many Things by Dana Meachen Rau
- I'll Wait, Mr. Panda (series) by Steve Antony

## Level F = 1st Grade - 2nd Grade

- David Goes to School by David Shannon
- Biscuit (series) by Alyssa Satin Capucilli
- Fly High, Fly Guy! by Tedd Arnold
- A Color of His Own by Leo Lionni
- Scat, Cat! by Alyssa Satin Capucilli
- I Love My New Toy! by Mo Willems
- Piggy Paints by Jim Benton
- Cookie's Week by Cynthia Ward and Tomie dePaola
- The Seals on the Bus by Lenny Hort
- Noodles: I Hate Bedtime (series) by Hans Wilhelm
- Pig and Pug by Laura Marchesani and Zenaides A. Medina Jr.
- What's in the Pond, Dear Dragon? (series) by Margaret Hillert
- Soccer Game! by Grace MacCarone
- Rosie's Walk by Pat Hutchins

## Level G = 1st Grade - 2nd Grade

- I Just Forgot by Mercer Mayer
- Good Boy, Fergus! by David Shannon
- Pete the Cat and the Bad Banana by James Dean
- Are You Ready to Play Outside? by Mo Willems
- Cat and Dog Go Shopping by Drew Rosa
- Danny's Rocket (series) by Mia Colton
- Pets at the Party (series) by Gwendolyn Hooks
- My New Friend is So Fun by Mo Willems
- A Big Guy Took My Ball by Mo Willems
- The Fly Flew In by David Catrow
- David Gets in Trouble (series) by David Shannon
- Marvin K. Mooney Will You Please Go Now! By Dr. Seuss

### Level H = 1st Grade - 2nd Grade

- Super Fly Guy by Ted Arnold
- Robin Hill School: A Tooth Story by Margaret McNamara
- Just a Snowman by Mercer Mayer
- Little Critter: I Am Sharing by Mercer Mayer
- To the Rescue by Mercer Mayer
- Bark, George by Jules Feiffer
- The Berenstain Bears: All Aboard! by Jan and Mike Berenstain
- The Watermelon Seed by Greg Pizzoli
- Can I Play Too? by Mo Willems
- If you Give a Pig a Party by Laura Numeroff
- Little Cloud by Eric Carle
- The Pigeon Has Feelings, Too! by Mo Willems
- Eek and Ack: Invaders from the Great Goo Galaxy (series) by Blake A, Hoana
- Aggie the Brave (series) by Lori Ries
- Flying by Kevin Ludhardt
- Katie Woo and Her Big Ideas by Fran Manuashkin
- I Spy Numbers (series) by Walter Wick

### Level I = 1st Grade - 2nd Grade

- Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! by Mo Willems
- Father Bear Comes Home by Maurice Sendak
- Dixie and the School Trip by Grace Gilman
- Robin Hill School: Summer Treasure by Margaret McNamara
- Hello Kitty: The New Friend by Elizabeth Bennett
- It's Okay to Be Different by Todd Parr
- The Feelings Book by Todd Parr
- It's Okay to Make Mistakes by Todd Parr
- We're Going on a Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen and Helen Oxenbury
- The Kissing Hand by Audrey Penn
- If You Give a Dog a Donut by Laura Numeroff
- Hi! Fly Guy (series) by Tedd Arnold
- Ten Pigs: An Epic Bath Adventure by Derek Anderson
- Henry and Mudge and the Funny Lunch by Cynthia Rylant
- Llama Llama Nighty-Night by Anna Dewdney
- Kitten's First Full Moon by Kevin Henkes
- The Very Busy Spider by Eric Carle
- How Do Dinosaurs Say Goodnight? (series) by Jane Yolen
- Maisy Learns to Swim by Lucy Cousins

### Level J = 2nd Grade - 3rd Grade

- Young Cam Jansen and the Lost Tooth (series) by David A. Adler
- Splat the Cat Sings Flat (series) by Chris Statehearn
- Fancy Nancy: The Dazzling Book Report (series) by Jane O'Connor
- Clifford the Small Red Puppy by Normal Bridwell
- Pancakes, Pancakes! By Eric Carle
- Curious George and the Firefighters by Margret and H.A. Rey's
- Pete the Cat: Play Ball! (series) by James Dean
- The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle
- Amelia Bedelia Hits the Trail by Herman Parish
- Poppleton by Cynthia Rylant
- Where the Wild Things Are by Maurice Sendak
- Harry the Dirty Dog by Gene Zion
- How Do Dinosaurs Eat Their Food? by Jane Yolen and Mark Teague
- Henry and Mudge: The First Book (series) by Cynthia Rylant
- Green Eggs and Ham by Dr. Seuss
- The Pigeon Wants a Puppy! by Mo Willems

### Level K = 2nd Grade - 3rd Grade

- Nate the Great (series) by Marjorie Sharmat
- Mercy Watson (series) by Kate DiCamillo
- Andy Shane... (series) by Jennifer Richard Jacobsen
- Annie and Simon (series) by Catharine O'Neill
- Owl Babies by Martin Waddell
- Diary of a Worm by Doreen Cronin
- Corduroy (series) by Don Freeman
- Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Tale by Mo Willems
- Pet Show by Ezra Jack Keats
- Scaredy Squirrel (series) by Melanie Watt
- Harold and the Purple Crayon (series) by Crockett Johnson

### Level L = 2nd Grade - 3rd Grade

- Cam Jansen (series) by David Adler
- Pee Wee Scouts (series) by Judy Delton
- Horrible Harry (series) by Suzy Kline
- Amelia Bedelia (series) by Peggy Parish
- Ricky Ricotta's Mighty Robot (series) by Dav Pilkey
- Those Shoes by Maribeth Boelts
- Wemberly Worried by Kevin Henkes
- Tacky the Penguin (series) by Helen Lester
- Miss Nelson is Missing by Harry Allard
- A Birthday Basket for Tia by Pat Mora
- Stand Tall Molly Lou Melon by Patty Lovell
- Mouse Was Mad by Linda Urban
- Curious George at the Firestation by Margret and H.A. Rey's

### Level M = 2nd Grade - 3rd Grade

- Judy Moody (series) by Megan McDonald
- Stink (series) by Megan McDonald
- The Magic Tree House (series) by Mary Pope Osborne
- The Bailey School Kids (series) by Debbie Dadey
- Ivy and Bean (series) by Annie Barrows
- Marvin Redpost (series) by Louis Sachar
- Alexander... (series) by Judith Viorst
- Dear Juno by SoYung Pak
- Chrysanthemum by Kevin Henkes
- Abuela's Weave by Omar Castenada
- Captain Awesome to the Rescue (series) by Stan Kirby
- Stone Soup by Marsha Brown

### Level N = 3rd Grade to 4th Grade

- A to Z Mysteries (series) by Ron Roy
- Amber Brown (series) by Paula Danziger
- Piper Reed (series) by Willis Holt
- Herbie Jones (series) by Suzy Kline
- The Enormous Crocodile by Roald Dahl
- The Magic Finger by Roald Dahl
- Be a Perfect Person in Just Three Days! by Stephanie Manes
- Growing Up Pedro: How the Martinez Brothers Made it From the Dominican Republic All the Way to the Major Leagues (nonfiction) by Matt Tavares
- Stellaluna by Janell Cannon
- Julius, Baby of the World by Kevin Henke
- Rainbow Magic: Destiny the Rock Star Fairy (series) by Daisy Meadows
- Puppy Place (series) by Ellen Miles
- Horrid Henry (series) by Francesca Simon
- Attack of the Ninja Frogs (series) by Ursula Vernon
- The Class Trip From the Black Lagoon (series) by Jared D. Lee
- Mo and Jo: Fighting Together Forever by Jay Lynch

### Level O = 3rd Grade - 4th Grade

- The Stories Julian Tells by Ann Cameron
- Calvin Coonut: Trouble Magnet (series) by Graham Salisbury
- Mallory... (series) by Laurie Friedman
- Ramona (series) by Beverly Cleary
- The Mouse and the Motorcycle (series) by Beverly Cleary
- The Secrets of Droon (series) by Tony Abott
- Jake Drake (series) by Andrew Celements
- My Weird School: Miss Daisy is Crazy (series) by Dan Gutman
- Clementine (series) by Sara Pennypacker
- Gloria's Way by Ann Cameron

- The Boxcar Children (series) by Gertrude Chandler Warner
- Henry (and Ribsy)... (series) by Beverly Cleary
- Geronimo Stilton (series) by Geronimo Stilton
- Pony Pals (series) by Jeanne Cetancourt
- Pippi Longstocking (series) by Astrid Lindgren
- The Mouse and the Motorcycle by Beverly Cleary
- EllRay Jakes (series) by Sally Warner

### Level P = 3rd Grade - 4th Grade

- Encyclopedia Brown (series) by David Sobel/Bantam
- The Time Warp Trio (series) by Jon Scieszka
- Sports Books (BMX Bully, Batter Up!) by Jake Maddox
- The Dragon Slayers' Academy (series) by Kate McMullan
- Fantastic Mr. Fox by Roald Dahl
- The Giraffe and the Pelly and Me by Roald Dahl
- Angus and Sadie by Cynthia Voigt
- Magic School Bus (series) by Joanna Cole
- Tough to Tackle by Matt Christopher
- Sideways Stories From Wayside School by Louis Sachar
- Riding Freedom by Pam Munoz Ryan
- Bad Kitty School Daze (series) by Nick Bruel
- Book Uncle and Me by Uma Krishnaswami
- Clubhouse Mysteries: Lost in the Tunnel of Time (series) by Sharon Draper

### Level Q = 4th Grade - 5th Grade

- Soupy Saturdays with the Pain and the Great One (series) by Judy Blume
- Animal Ark (series) by Ben Baglio
- Baby Mouse (series) by Jennifer Holm
- Bunnicula by James Howe
- Cabin Creek Mysteries: The Secret of Robber's Cave (series) by Kristiana Gregory
- Dear Mr. Henshaw by Beverly Cleary
- Little House on the Prairie (series) by Laura Ingalls Wilder
- Fudge (series) by Judy Blume
- Help! I'm Trapped in... (series) by Todd Strasser
- James and the Giant Peach by Roald Dahl
- Joshua T. Bates by Susan Shreve
- Mr. Popper's Penguins by Richard Atwater
- Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing (Fudge series) by Judy Blume
- Main Street: Welcome to Camden Falls (series) by Ann M. Martin
- The World According to Humphrey (series) by Betty G. Birney

### Level R = 4th Grade - 5th Grade

- Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl
- The Witches by Roald Dahl
- How to Eat Fried Worms by Thomas Rockwell
- Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great by Judy Blume
- There's a Frog in My Sleeping Bag by Susan Clymer
- There's a Hamster in My Lunchbox by Susan Clymer
- There's a Tarantula in My Homework by Susan Clymer
- Hatchet by Gary Paulsen
- Rules by Cynthia Lord
- Big Nate: Boredom Buster (series) by Lincoln Pierce
- Hank Zipzer (series) by Henry Winkler
- Chet Gecko: The Mystery of Mr. Nice (series) by Bruce Hale
- Shredderman (series) by Wendelin Van Draanen
- Misty of Chincoteague by Marguerite Henry
- Frindle by Andrew Clements
- The Landry News by Andrew Clements
- Lost and Found by Andrew Clements
- No Talking by Andrew Clements
- The School Story by Andrew Clements
- Touch Blue by Cynthia Lord

### Level S = 4th Grade - 5th Grade

- Deltora Quest: The Forest of Silence (series) by Emily Rodda
- The Million Dollar Shot (series) by Dan Gutman
- Nancy Drew Mysteries: The Chocolate Covered Contest (series) by Carolyn Keene
- Poppy (series) by Avi
- The Doll People (series) by Ann M. Martin
- A Dog's Life: The Autobiography of a Stray by Ann M. Martin
- Two-Minute Drill by Mike Lupica
- Flying Solo by Ralph Fletcher
- From the Mixed-Up Filed of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler by E.L. Konigsburg
- Granny Torelli Makes Soup by Sharon Creech
- The Great Gilly Hopkins by Katherine Paterson
- The Janitor's Boy by Andrew Clements
- Room One by Andrew Clements
- The Lemonade War by Jacqueline Davies
- Taking Care of Terrific by Lois Lowry
- Taking Sides by Gary Soto
- Matilda by Roald Dahl
- The Twits by Roald Dahl
- Edward's Eyes by Patricia MacLachlan
- Out of My Mind by Sharon Draper
- Island Trilogy by Gordan Korman

### Level T = 5th Grade - 6th Grade

- Everest (Trilogy) by Gordan Korman
- Animal Heroes: True Rescue Stories by Sandra Markle
- An Angel for Solomon Singer by Cynthia Rylant

- Baseball Card Adventures: Jackie & Me (series) by Dan Gutman
- Notes From a Liar and Her Dog by Gennifer Choldenko
- The Great Brain at the Academy by John D. Fitzgerald
- Harriet the Spy by Louise Fitzhugh
- Joey Pigza (series) by Jack Gantos
- The Middle Moffat by Eleanor Estes
- A Week in the Woods by Andrew Clements
- Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Paterson
- Tiger Rising by Kate DiCamillo
- Sammy Keyes (series) by Wendelin Van Draanen
- The Chronicles of Narnia (series) by C.S. Lewis
- Diary of a Wimpy Kid (series) by Jeff Kinney
- Everything for a Dog by Ann M. Martin
- Smile by Raina Telgemeier
- House of Robots (series) by James Patterson

### Level U = 5th Grade - 6th Grade

- Midnight for Charlie Bone (series) by Jenny Nimmo
- Extra Credit by Andrew Clements
- The 39 Clues: The Maze of Bones (series) by Various Authors
- Warriors: Into the Wild (series) by Erin Hunter
- The Boy Who Owned the School by Gary Paulsen
- The Magician's Elephant by Kate DiCamillo
- The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane by Kate DiCamillo
- The View From Saturday by E.L. Konigsburg
- Wringer by Jerry Spinelli
- Flora & Ulysses by Kate DiCamillo
- Loser by Jerry Spinelli
- Ella Enchanted by Gail Carson Levine
- Eggs by Jerry Spinelli
- Knots in my Yo-Yo String (Autobiography) by Jerry Spinelli
- The BFG by Roald Dahl
- The Sisters Grimm (series) by Michael Buckley
- The Name of this Book is Secret by Pseudonymous Bosch

### Level V = 5th Grade - 6th Grade

- A Series of Unfortunate Events (series) by Lemony Snicket
- The Birthday Room by Kevin Henkes
- Harry Potter (series ranges from V-Z) by J.K. Rowling
- The Princess Academy (series) by Shannon Hale
- Heat by Mike Lupica
- The Mysterious Benedict Society by Trenton Lee Stewart











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