

CTK Middle School Summer Reading Assignment



This summer each grade level will read one fiction title and one nonfiction title. The students can read the assigned books in any order and will be required to participate in an online discussion on Schoology (an online learning platform) of the books as they read. Student responses to the posted discussion questions should be 5-8 sentences in length. They will also need to write a 2-3 sentence response to one of their classmates' posts. Directions on how to respond will be provided on Schoology. Please do not hesitate to email with questions or concerns: skelly@ctkparish.org

Students should create a reading schedule for themselves for the summer, so they are not rushing to finish at the end. I suggest adding up the total number of pages for both books and dividing by the number of days of the summer. It will be much more manageable to read 5-8 pages a night versus 200-300 pages at the very end. Students will receive a class participation grade for the responses. The books will also be the basis of our first two writing assignments in the Fall.

Assigned Books:

6th Grade

Fiction: *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio

Nonfiction: *I am Malala* (Young Reader's Edition) by Malala Yousafzai with Patricia McCormick

Schoology Discussion Board Group Code: **QV8NR-5DQ8P**

7th Grade

Fiction: *The Wednesday Wars* by Gary Schmidt

Nonfiction: *Choosing Courage* by Peter Collier

Schoology Discussion Board Group Code: **GBBDR-RHPJX**

8th Grade

Fiction: *The Outsiders* by S.E. Hinton

Nonfiction: *Irena's Children* (Young Readers Edition) adapted by Mary Cronk Farrell

Schoology Discussion Board Group Code: **JJXT7-XR39N**

To Get to the Discussion Board:

1. Go to <https://www.schoology.com/>
2. If you have an account, login. If you don't, then create a student account.
3. When you sign up, enter the Group Code provided for your grade level above.
4. You will need an email address to create the account.
5. Once that is complete, you will be able to access the Group Discussion.

Happy Reading!