

Pittsford Schools

Suggested Summer Reading List for Children Entering Fifth Grade

Chapter Books/Graphic Novels

[Amari and the Night Brothers](#) by B. B. Alston

[From the Desk of Zoe Washington](#) by Janae Marks

[Katie the Catsitter](#) (Katie the Catsitter series) by Colleen A. F. Venable*

[The Lion of Mars](#) by Jennifer L. Holm

[Not if I Can Help It](#) by Carolyn Mackler

[Nowhere Boy](#) by Katherine Marsh

[Red, White, and Whole](#) by Rajani LaRocca

[Sal + Gabi Break the Universe](#) (Sal + Gabi series) by Carlos Hernandez*

[Shark Summer](#) by Ira Marcks

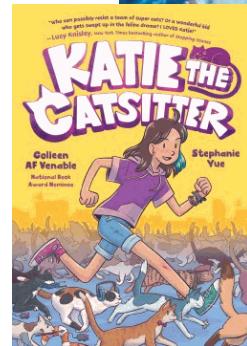
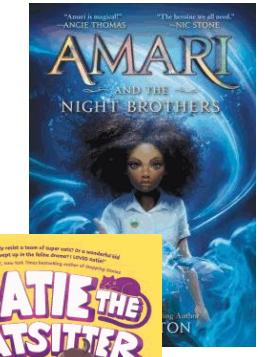
[Stepping Stones](#) (Peapod Farm series) by Lucy Knisley*

[Too Bright to See](#) by Kyle Lukoff

[The Troubled Girls of Dragomir Academy](#) by Anne Ursu

[Unplugged](#) by Gordon Korman

[The Year I Flew Away](#) by Marie Arnold



Nonfiction

[Above the Rim: How Elgin Baylor Changed Basketball](#) by Jen Bryant

[All Thirteen: The Incredible Cave Rescue of the Thai Boys' Soccer Team](#) by Christina Soontornvat

[Bei Bei Goes Home: A Panda Story](#) by Cheryl Bardoe

[Black Heroes of the Wild West](#) by James Otis Smith

[How to Speak Cat: A Guide to Decoding Cat Language](#)

by Aline Alexander Newman*

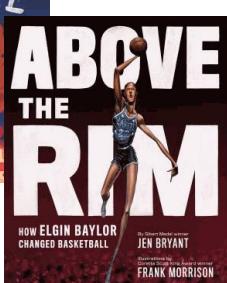
[National Parks: A Kid's Guide to America's Parks, Monuments, and Landmarks](#) by Erin Hchugh

[Nicky + Vera: A Quiet Hero of the Holocaust and the Children He Rescued](#) by Peter Sís

[Unbound: The Life + Art of Judith Scott](#) by Joyce Scott

[When Stars are Scattered](#)

by Victoria Jamieson



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will visit students in Grades K-5 during the 2023 - 2024 school year. She has written many books that you should check out this summer!



Poetry + Folklore

[Brave Red, Smart Frog: A New Book of Old Tales](#)

by Emily Jenkins

[The Dragon Slayer: Folktales from Latin America](#)

by Jaime Hernandez

[Hello, Earth!: Poems to Our Planet](#) by Joyce Sidman

[The Last Fifth Grade of Emerson Elementary](#)

by Laura Shovan

[The One Thing You'd Save](#) by Linda Sue Park

[I Remember: Poems and Pictures of Heritage](#)

compiled by Lee Bennett Hopkins

[Woke: A Young Poet's Call to Justice](#)

by Mahogany L. Browne

Family Readalouds

[Before the Ever After](#) by Jacqueline Woodson

[The Bridge Home](#) by Padma Venkatraman

[Burying the Moon](#) by Andree Poulin

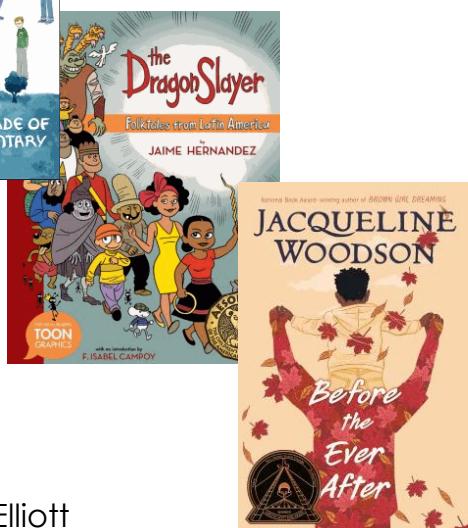
[The Canyon's Edge](#) by Dusti Bowling

[Echo Mountain](#) by Lauren Wolk

[A Place Inside of Me: A Poem to Heal the Heart](#) by Zetta Elliott

[Show Me a Sign](#) by Ann Clare LeZotte

[A Wish in the Dark](#) by Christina Soontornvat



This list was prepared by the PCSD elementary school librarians. Most of the books can be found at the Pittsford Community Library or in eBook form through Sora via your child's ClassLink account. The books listed are suggestions and not required reading. All book cover images are from Follett Destiny Library Catalog.

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*Look for other titles in this series