

SUMMER READING for ALL Middle School ROYAL KNIGHTS!- 6th, 7th, and 8th
Graders



SUNSHINE STATE READERS



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Donalyn Miller, author of *The Book Whisperer: Awakening the Inner Reader of Every Child*, states that "Reading Bestows Gifts on the Reader." Our middle school students can begin "a university course in life" (Donalyn). Background knowledge and vocabulary increases with every book read. One can travel to places real and fantasy. A book can introduce the reader to friends, friends who face similar challenges and obstacles the reader can identify with. One is never alone when one is in the midst of a good plot, solving mysteries and computer codes with the main character. Donalyn states, "Through reading, we can witness all that is noble, beautiful, or horrifying about other human beings. From a book's characters, we can learn how to conduct ourselves" (151).

Talking animals, code writing and building computer games, being carried off to other worlds against one's will, are all part of the Sunshine State Readers 2018-19.

This summer the English Department of RRMS challenges students to begin to read the SUNSHINE STATE READERS 2018-2019 this summer. Each one, selected by your peers, other middle school students, for quality and interest, carry the reader to new places. Some are the first book in a series, opening up more possibilities for reading and discovery. The books can be found in Pasco County Libraries. All we ask of the reader is to record the book, the date finished, and a 10-15word synopsis of the book. A book log is included as an attachment. If you would like to connect with other readers, open a free account with GOODREADS.com

Begin to record the books you are reading, and discover more books you may be interested in. Let's begin the next school year with places seen and knowledge accumulated!! We'll party together at the beginning of the school year and meet in person.

Have a great summer!

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