

## Summer Reading Assignment for Rising 4th and 5th Grades

Summer has arrived and we hope you are excited and plan to spend some time reading. We are asking all rising 4th and 5th graders to read one book and complete a written assignment to turn in the first week of school. We hope you will read even more while on summer vacation!

Rising 4th will read: I Survived the Sinking of the Titanic, 1912

Rising 5th will read: Sideways Stories from Wayside School

The written assignment is to create 5 questions from your book and include the answers. You must turn this in the first week of school for a grade! Please make sure your work is neat, and easy to read. In addition, you will be required to take an AR test on the book you read.

Please take time to either purchase the book or check it out of the library. Both of these books are on the Battle of the Books list, and we hope many of our students will join our Battle of the Books team.

Listed below are a few more books on the list that we would also love for you to add to your summer reading. If you read any 4 of these, create 5 questions and answers to turn in, and you will receive extra credit that can be used to help your Reading or English grade the first nine weeks of the school year.

Please see attached list for the Lower School Battle of the Books List for 2026-2027



## 2026- 2027 Lower School Battle of the Books List

Title of the Book	Author
Because of Winn-Dixie	Kate DiCamillo
Chronicles of Narnia: Lion, Witch, & the Wardrobe	C. S. Lewis
Half Upon a Time #1	James Riley
I Survived the Sinking of the Titanic, 1912	Lauren Tarshis
Judy Moody Was in a Mood	Megan McDonald
Maybe Maybe, Marisol Rainey	Erin Entrada Kelly
Odder	Katherine Applegate
Patriots, Redcoats and Spies	Robert Skead
Poppy	Avi
Ramona Forever	Beverly Cleary
Shiloh	Phyllis Reynolds Naylor
Sideways Stories from Wayside School ✓	Louis Sachar
Slacker	Gordon Korman
The Best Christmas Pageant Ever!	Barbara Robinson
The Chocolate Touch	Patrick Skeen Catling
The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane	Kate DiCamillo
The Mysterious Benedict Society	Trenton Stewart
The Princess Academy	Shannon Hale
The Real McCoys (Book #1)	Matthew Swanson and Robbi Behr
The Secret School	Avi