Hamilton-Wenham Elementary Schools Summer Reading List 2020

Please note that the following books are only suggestions. If a book is not available please ask your children's librarian for a recommendation.

Grades K-2

The Adventures of Otto by David Milgrim (series)

Across the Bay by Carlos Aponte

Alma and How She Got Her Name by Juana Matinex-Neal

Baby Monkey, Private Eye by Brian Selznick and David Serlin

Barkus by Patricia MacLachlan (series)

Bear Came Along by Richard T. Morris

The Book Hog by Greg Pizzoli

The Boxcar Children by Gertrude Chandler Warner (series)

Claude at the Beach by Alex T. Smith

Chick and Brain: Smell My Foot! by Cece Bell

Double Bass Blues by Andrea J. Loney

Drawn Together by Minh Le

Dreamers by Yuyi Morales

Drum Dream Girl: How One Girl's Courage Changed Music by Margarita Engle

Duck, Duck, Dinosaur by Kallie George

Du Iz Tak by Carson Ellis

Edison: The Mystery of the Missing Mouse Treasure by Torben Kuhlmann

Fly Guy by Tedd Arnold (series)

Flubby Is Not a Good Pet by J.E. Morris

Firetruck vs. Dragon by Chris Barton

Fox + Chick: The Party and Other Stories by Sergio Ruzzier

Fox the Tiger by Corey R. Tabor

Frog and Toad by Arnold Lobel (series)

Get a Hit, Mo! by David A. Adler (series)

Going Down Home with Daddy by Kelly Starling Lyons

Harold & Hog Pretend for Real by Dan Santat

Hello Lighthouse by Sophie Blackall

Ice Cream Summer by Peter Sis

It's Not Jack and the Beanstalk by Josh Funk (series)

Jack at Bat by Mac Barnett & Greg Pizzoli (series)

Julian Is a Mermaid by Jessica Love

My Papi Has a Motorcycle by Isabel Quintero

The Night Gardener by Terry Fan and Eric Fan

Outback by Dan Kainen (series)

Owl Diaries by Rebecca Elliott

The Quickest Kid in Clarksville by Pat Zietlow Miller

The Rough Patch by Brian Lies

Squirrels Unlimited by Mo Willems (series)

Stop! Bot! by James Yang

Surf's Up by Kwame Alexander

They All Saw a Cat by Brendan Wenzel

The Undefeated by Kwame Alexander

Urgency Emergency! by Dosh Archer (series)

What Do You Do with a Problem? by Kobi Yamada

Mercy Watson by Kate DiCamillo (series)

Not a Butterfly Alphabet Book by Jerry Pallotta

Whose Footprint is That? by Darrin Lunde (series)

Yasmin in Charge by Saadia Faruqi

Be sure to check out the new fiction and nonfiction picture books for all ages.

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Grades 2 & 3

Ada Twist and the Perilous Pants by Andrea Beaty (series)

All-of-a-Kind Family by Sydney Taylor (series)

Ballpark Mysteries by David Kelly (series)

A Boy Called Bat by Elana Arnold (series)

Bob by Wendy Mass and Rebecca Stead

The Carver Chronicles by Karen English (series)

Charlie & Mouse by Laurel Snyder (series)

King & Kayla by Dori Hillestad Butler (series)

A Dragon's Guide by Laurence Yep and Joanne Ryder (series)

I Survived by Lauren Tarshis (series)

Inspector Flytrap by Tom Angelberger (series)

Juana and Lucas by Juana Medina (series)

Little House in the Big Woods by Laura Ingalls Wilder (series)

Lola Levine by Monica Brown (series)

The Lemonade War by Jacqueline Davies (series)

The Magic School Bus by Joanna Cole (series)

Mrs. Piggle-Wiggle by Betty MacDonald (series)

My Kite is Stuck and Other Stories by Salina Yoon (series)

Nuts to You by Lynne Rae Perkins

Owl Diaries by Rebecca Elliott (series)

Out of Wonder: Poems Celebrating Poets by Kwame Alexander

Planting Stories: The Life of Librarian and Storyteller Pura Belpré by Anika A. Denise

Ramona by Beverly Cleary (series)

Rabbit & Bear by Julian Gough & Jim Field (series)

Sarah, Plain and Tall by Patricia MacLachlan

A Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket (series)

Snail & Worm by Tina Kugler (series)

The Undefeated by Kwame Alexander

Whatever After by Sarah Mlynowski (series)

Unicorn Rescue Society by Adam Gidwitz and David Bowles (series)

Who Was, What Was, Where Is by various authors (non-fiction series)

The Yeti Files by Kevin Sherry (series)

Zach & Zoe Mysteries by Mike Lupica (series)

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Grades 4 - 6

Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko (series)

Ban This Book by Alan Gratz

The Blackthorn Key by Kevin Sands (series)

Beyond the Bright Sea by Lauren Wolk

The Book of Boy by Catherine Gilbert Murdock

Brown Girl Dreaming by Jacqueline Woodson

The Care and Feeding of a Pet Black Hole by Michelle Cuevas

The Collectors by Jacqueline West

The Crossover by Kwame Alexander

The Emerald Atlas by John Stephens (series)

Fish in a Tree by Lynda Mullaly Hunt

Framed: A T.O.A.S.T. Mystery by James Ponti (series)

The Girl Who Drank the Moon by Kelly Barnhill

The Great Treehouse War by Lisa Graff

Greenglass House by Kate Milford (series)

The (Fairly) True Tales by Liesl Shurtliff (series)

Fablehaven by Brandon Mull (series)

Ghost by Jason Reynolds (Track series)

A Handful of Stars by Cynthia Lord

Hello, Universe by Erin Entrada Kelly

The Hero's Guide to Saving Your Kingdom by Christopher Healy

House Arrest by K.A. Holt

The Last Kids on Earth by Max Brailler (series)

Merci Suarez Changes Gears by Meg Medina

The Misadventures of the Family Fletcher by Dana Alison Levy (series)

The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl by Stacy McAnulty

Mr. Lemoncello's All Star Breakout Game by Chris Grabenstein (series)

The Mysterious Benedict Society by Trenton Lee Stewart (series)

New Kid by Jerry Craft

The Night Diary by Veera Hiranandani

A Night Divided by Jennifer Nielsen

Other Words for Home by Jasmine Warga

Pax by Sara Pennypacker

The Parker Inheritance by Varian Johnson

Rain Reign by Ann Martin

Restart by Gordon Korman

Sal and Gabi Break the Universe by Carlos Hernandez

Saving Winslow by Sharon Creech

Scary Stories for Young Foxes by Christian McKay Heidicker

The Seventh Most Important Thing by Shelley Pearsall

Soldier for Equality: José de la Luz Sáenz and the Great War by Duncan Tonatiuh

Some Kind of Courage by Dan Gemeinhart

Space Case: A Moon Base Alpha Novel by Stuart Gibb (series)

Spy School: The Bristish Invasion by Stuart Gibbs (series)

Sweep: the Story of a Girl and Her Monster by Jonathan Auxier

Stella by Starlight by Sharon M. Draper

The Strange Case of Origami Yoda by Tom Angleberger (series)

The Stars Beneath Our Feet by David Barclay Moore

Treasure Hunters by James Patterson (series)

The Undefeated by Kwame Alexander

The Unwanteds by Lisa McMann (series)

The Vanderbeekers of 141st Street by Karina Yan Glaser

The War that Saved My Life by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley (series)

The Wild Robot by Peter Brown (series)

What Elephants Know by Eric Dinerstein

When Friendship Followed Me Home by Paul Griffin

When You Reach Me by Rebecca Stead

Wishtree by Katherine Applegate

Wolf Hollow by Lauren Wolk A World Without Heroes by Brandon Mull

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Graphic Novels

For Younger Readers

Adventures in Cartooning by James Sturm (series)

The Adventures of Polo by Régis Faller (series)

Ants Don't Wear Pants by Kevin McCloskey

Bad Guys by Alan Blabey (series)

Betty's Burgled Bakery by Travis Nichols

A Binky Adventure by Ashley Spires (series)

Johnny Boo by James Kochalka (series)

Korgi by Christian Slade (series)

Mr. Badger and Mrs. Fox by Brigitte Luciani (series)

The TOON books (series)

My Community by Lori Mortensen (series)

Narwhal: Unicorn of the Sea by Ben Clanton

Noodleheads by Tedd Arnold (series)

Owly by Andy Runton (series)

The Real Poop on Pigeons by Kevin McCloskey

Gordon: Bark to the Future (A P.U.R.S.T. Adventure series) by Ashley Spires

¡Vamos! Let's Go to the Market by Raúl Gonzalez

For Older Readers

All's Faire in Middle School by Victoria Jamieson

Amulet by Kazu Kibuishi (series)

Babymouse by Jennifer L. Holm and Matthew Holm (series)

Comics as Easy as ABC! by Ivan Brunetti

Dream Jumper by Greg Grunberg (series)

Earth Before Us by Abby Howard (series)

El Deafo by Cece Bell

Fable Comics & Fairy Tale Comics by Chris Duffy

Fashion Kitty by Charise Mericle Harper (series)

Knights of the Lunch Table: The Dodgeball Chronicles by Frank Cammuso (series)

Lowriders in Space by Cathy Camper (series)

Lunch Lady by Jarrett J. Krosoczka (series)

Magic Pickle by Scott Morse (series)

Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales by Nathan Hale (series)

New Kid by Jerry Craft

The Olympians by George O'Connor (series)

Phoebe and Her Unicorn by Dana Simpson (series)

Red's Planet by Eddie Pittman (series)

Robot Dreams by Sara Varon

Roller Girl by Victoria Jamieson

Salt Water Taffy by Matthew Loux

Sardine by Emmanuel Guibert (series)

Science Comics (series)

Secret Coders by Gene Luen Yang (series)

Star Scouts by Mike Lawrence (series)

Sticky Burr by John Lechner (series)

Stonekeeper by Kazu Kibuishi (series)

Zita the Spacegirl by Ben Hatke (series)