

Grace Lutheran School

Summer  
Reading  
Challenge

For rising 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Graders

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As you finish a challenge, write the date of when you completed it. The more challenges you complete, the more prizes you can win! Keep track of the books you read on the back of this paper. Present your paper to Mrs. Bramwell during the first week of school to claim your prize or prizes. The grade that completes the most challenges will win a pizza party for their class.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete all 15 challenges	Ice cream, book, prize, and bookmark
Complete 10-14 challenges	Earn a book to keep, prize, and bookmark
Complete 7-9 challenges	Get a prize from the treasure chest and a bookmark
Complete 4-6 challenges	Get a bookmark

CHALLENGE	Date finished and Parent Initials
Read a book in a series.	
Read for 5 days in a row	
Draw a picture of your favorite book character.	
Read out loud to your sibling, pet, or a plant.	
Read a book about an animal (real or imaginary).	
Have a family member read you a story.	
Read a book from the 2025 Bluestem list	
Read a biography.	
Write a story or draw a comic.	
Read 5 poems.	
Read outside.	
Read a nonfiction book.	
Read a funny book in your pajamas	
Read a book about someone who lives in another country.	
Talk about your favorite book with a family member or friend.	

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Books I've read this summer:

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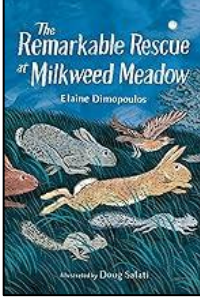
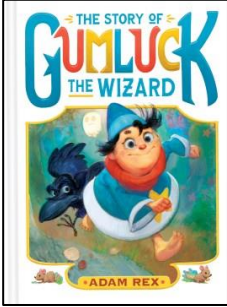
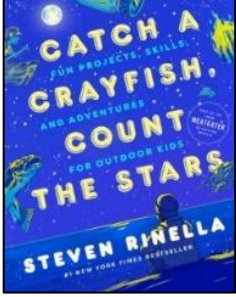

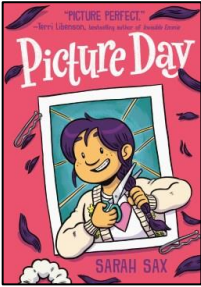
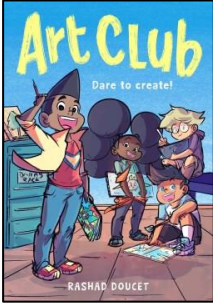
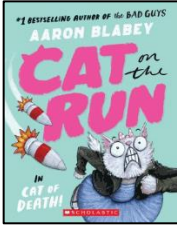
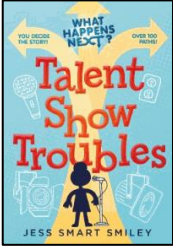
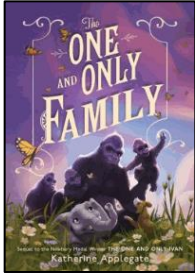
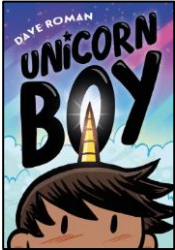

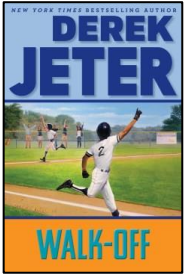
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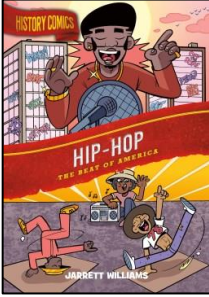
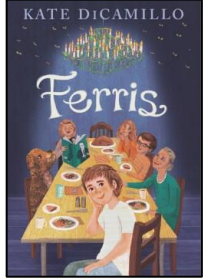
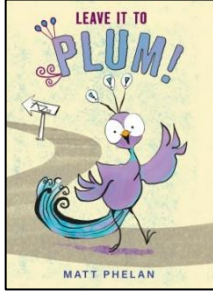
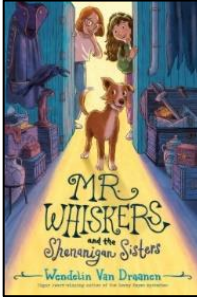
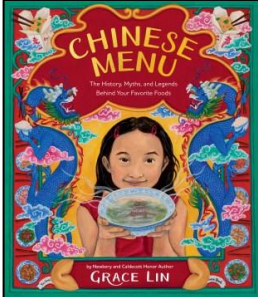
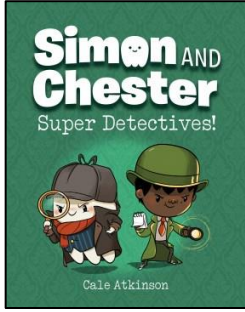

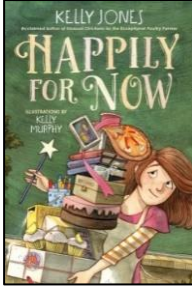
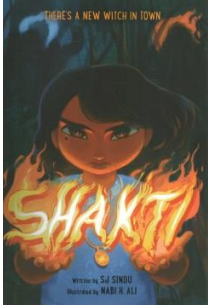
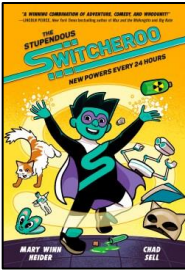
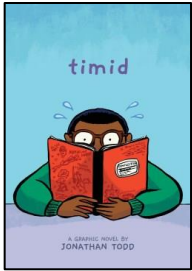

Looking for ideas of books to read this summer? Try some of these titles. Or find your own books to read, that's ok too!

<p><b>The Remarkable Rescue of Milkweed Meadow</b></p>  <p>Animal Fiction</p>	<p><b>The Story of Gumluck the Wizard</b></p>  <p>Fantasy</p>	<p><b>Catch a Crayfish, Count the Stars</b></p>  <p>Nonfiction</p>
<p><b>Things in the Basement</b></p>  <p>Graphic Novel</p>	<p><b>Picture Day</b></p>  <p>Graphic Novel</p>	<p><b>Art Club</b></p>  <p>Graphic Novel</p>
<p><b>Cat on the Run</b></p>  <p>Graphic Novel</p>	<p><b>Talent Show Troubles</b></p>  <p>Graphic Novel</p>	<p><b>The One and Only Family</b></p>  <p>Animal Stories</p>
<p><b>Unicorn Boy</b></p>  <p>Graphic Novel</p>	<p><b>15 Secrets to Survival</b></p>  <p>Adventure</p>	<p><b>Walk-Off</b></p>  <p>Fiction</p>

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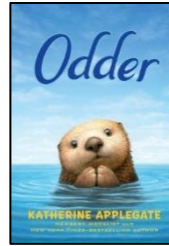
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<p><b>History Comics Series</b></p>  <p>Nonfiction Graphic Novel</p>	<p><b>Ferris</b></p>  <p>Realistic Fiction</p>	<p><b>Leave it to Plum!</b></p>  <p>Funny Stories</p>
<p><b>Mr. Whiskers and the Shenanigan Sisters</b></p>  <p>Mystery</p>	<p><b>Chinese Menu</b></p>  <p>Nonfiction</p>	<p><b>Simon and Chester Super Detectives!</b></p>  <p>Graphic Novel</p>
<p><b>Spirit Week</b></p>  <p>Graphic Novel</p>	<p><b>Happily for Now</b></p>  <p>Realistic Fiction</p>	<p><b>Shakti</b></p>  <p>Graphic Novel</p>
<p><b>Stupendous Switcheroo</b></p>  <p>Graphic Novel</p>	<p><b>Timid</b></p>  <p>Graphic Novel</p>	<p><b>The Lost Library</b></p>  <p>Fantasy/Mystery</p>

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## 2025 Bluestem Award Nominees

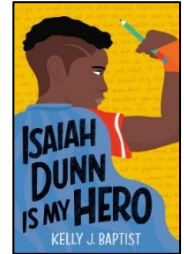
*Odder* by Katherine Applegate



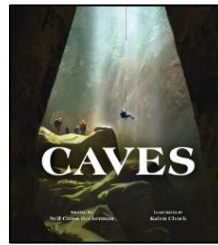
*Shine On, Luz Véliz!* By Rebecca Balcárcel



*Isaiah Dunn Is My Hero* by Kelly J. Baptist



*Caves* by Nell Cross Beckerman



*The Girl in the Lake* by India Hill Brown



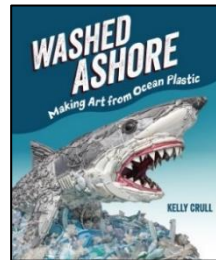
*Marshmallow & Jordan* by Alina Chau



*Just Right Jillian* by Nicole D. Collier



*Washed Ashore: Making Art from Ocean Plastic* by Kelly Crull



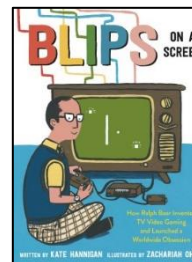
*Invisible* by Christina Diaz Gonzalez



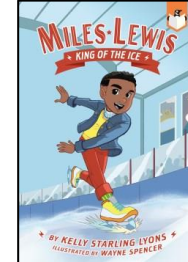
*Killer Underwear Invasion!: How to Spot Fake News, Disinformation & Conspiracy Theories* by Elise Gravel



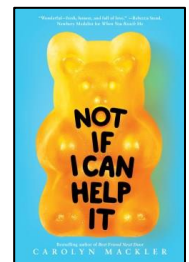
*Blips on a Screen: How Ralph Baer Invented TV Video Gaming and Launched A Worldwide Obsession* by Kate Hannigan



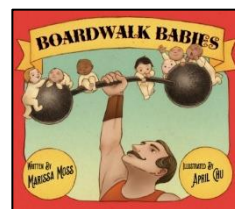
*King of the Ice* by Kelly Starling Lyons



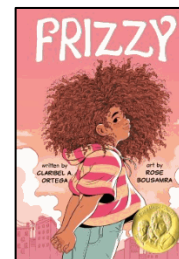
*Not If I Can Help It* by Carolyn Mackler



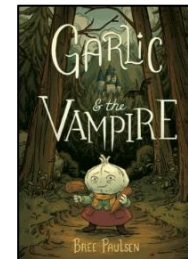
*Boardwalk Babies* by Marissa Moss



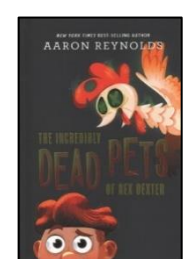
*Frizzy* by Claribel A. Ortega



*Garlic & the Vampire* by Bree Paulsen



*The Incredibly Dead Pets of Rex Dexter* by Aaron Reynolds



*Air* by Monica Roe



*Weird Kid* by Greg Van Eekhout



*Wretched Waterpark* by Kiersten White

