

## 2009 PARKWAY SUMMER READING LIST ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

Summer provides many opportunities for parents and young children to enjoy unforgettable books together. Before entering each grade, a Parkway student should read or hear at least three of the books listed for that grade. Parents of elementary students may consult one of the *Read-Aloud Handbooks* by Jim Trelease for additional selections. For annotations describing each individual title, go online to PANDA at <http://panda.pkwy.k12.mo.us>, choose your school, and then click on *Parkway Summer Reading List*.

### **Before Entering Kindergarten**

Aylesworth: *Naughty Little Monkeys* c2003 (alphabet book)  
Bang: *When Sophie Gets Angry - Really, Really Angry...* c1999 (character)  
Crews: *The Neighborhood Mother Goose* c2004 (nursery rhymes, diversity)  
DePaola: *Stagestruck* c2005 (school story)  
Drachman: *A Frog Thing* c2005 (humor)  
Ehlert: *Pie in the Sky* c2004 (family, fiction)  
Ehlert: *Mole's Hill: a Woodland Tale* c1994 (folklore)  
Ernst: *The Gingerbread Girl* c2006 (fairy tale)  
Kimmel: *The Gingerbread Man* c1993 (fairy tale)  
Penn: *The Kissing Hand* c1993 (family story)  
Pfister: *Rainbow Fish stories* (animal stories)  
Prelutsky: *Read-Aloud Rhymes for the Very Young* c1986 (poetry)  
Shannon: *David Goes to School* c1999 (humor)  
Sierra: *Counting Crocodiles* c1997 (counting, rhyming)  
Sierra: *Wild About Books* c2004 (animals, humor)  
Taback: *Joseph Had a Little Overcoat* c1999 (diversity)  
Thompson: *Little Quack* c2003 (animal story)  
Williams: *'More More More' said the Baby: 3 Love Stories* c1990 (family, fiction)  
Wood: *Alphabet Adventure* c2001 (alphabet book)  
Wood: *The Napping House* c1984 (sleep, fiction)

### **Before Entering First Grade**

Asher: *Too Many Frogs* c2005 (frogs, humor)  
Bailey: *Stanley's Party* c2003 (dogs, humor)  
Bloom: *A Splendid Friend Indeed* c2005 (friendship)  
Brett: *Goldilocks and the Three Bears* c1987 (fairy tale)  
Bruei: *Bad Kitty* c2005 (alphabet book)  
Carle: *Mister Seahorse* c2004 (fish stories)  
Cronin: *Dooby, Dooby, Moo* c2004 (animal humor)  
Cronin: *Diary of a Fly* c2005 (insect, humor)  
Fleming: *The First Day of Winter* c2005 (counting, rhyming, diversity)  
Hoffman: *Amazing Grace* c1991 (ethnic diversity)  
Lester: *Hooway for Wodney Wat* c1999 (fantasy, abilities awareness)  
McKinley: *One Smile* c2002 (kindness)  
Numeroff: *Beatrice Doesn't Want To* c2005 (realistic fiction, humor)  
Prelutsky: *Me I Am* c2007 (poetry)  
Rathmann: *Officer Buckle and Gloria* c1995 (safety, fiction)  
Scotton: *Russell the Sheep* c2005 (animals, fiction)  
Seuss: *The Cat in the Hat* c1957 (classic)  
Shannon: *A Bad Case of Stripes* c1998 (individuality, fiction)  
Silverman: *Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa: School Days* c2007 (fiction)

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### **Before Entering Second Grade**

Cannon: *Crickwing* c2000 (insects, fiction)  
Crews: *Below* c2006 (fiction)  
Ernst: *Sylvia Jean, Drama Queen* c2005 (fantasy, animals, humor)  
Hoberman: *You Read to Me, I'll Read to You: Very Short Stories to Read Together* c2001 (rhyming stories)  
James: *Dear Mr. Blueberry* c1991 (letter writing)  
Lobel: Frog and Toad stories (classics)  
Mayer: Little Critter stories (fantasy, animals)  
McKissack: *Flossie and the Fox* c1986 (folklore, ethnic diversity)  
McKissack: *The Honest-to-Goodness Truth* c2000 (character, ethnic diversity)  
McNaughton: *Once Upon an Ordinary School Day* c2004 (school story)  
Numeroff: *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* and sequels c1985 (cumulative tales)  
Pallotta: *Dory Story* c2000 (sea story, fiction)  
Parish: Amelia Bedelia stories (classics)  
Pearson: *Ordinary Mary's Extraordinary Deed* c2002 (kindness, fiction)  
Peterson: *Don't Forget Winona* c2004 (historical fiction)  
Polacco: *Aunt Chip and the Triple Creek Dam Affair* c1996 (television, reading, fiction)  
Rylant: Henry and Mudge stories (family, dogs, humor)  
Schachner: *Skippyjon Jones* c2003 (humor)  
Stevens: *And the Dish Ran Away with the Spoon* c2001 (nursery rhymes)  
Waber: *The House on East 88th Street* c1962 (crocodiles, classic)  
Woodson: *The Other Side* c2001 (friendship, ethnic diversity)

### **Before Entering Third Grade**

Banks: *Max's Words* c2006 (fiction)  
Bridges: *Ruby's Wish* c2002 (historical fiction, ethnic diversity)  
Bunting: *One Green Apple* c2006 (historical fiction, ethnic diversity)  
Christelow: *Where's the Big Bad Wolf?* c2002 (folk and fairy tale)  
Cox: *Butterfly Buddies* c2001 (friendship, school story)  
Curtis: *The Bat Boy and His Violin* c1998 (sports, music, ethnic diversity)  
Demi: *One Grain of Rice: A Mathematical Folktale* c1997 (folklore, math)  
DiCamillo: *Mercy Watson to the Rescue* c2005 (animals, fantasy, humor)  
Goble: *The Girl Who Loved Wild Horses* c1978 (folklore, ethnic diversity)  
Grindley: *Dear Max* c2004 (fiction)  
Holm: *Babymouse* c2005 (graphic fiction, friendship, imagination)  
Johnson: *Just Like Josh Gibson* c2007 (sports fiction, historical fiction)  
Kerrin: *Martin Bridge: Ready for Takeoff!* c2005 (fiction)  
Pinkney: *The Ugly Duckling* c1999 (fairy tale)  
Preller: Jigsaw Jones series (mysteries)  
Stilton: The Geronimo Stilton series (mice, fantasy, mystery)  
Tunnell: *Mailing May* c1997 (historical fiction)  
Warner: *Only Emma* c2005 (fiction)  
Willey: *Clever Beatrice* c2001 (folklore)  
Wyeth: *Something Beautiful* c2002 (fiction)

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### **Before Entering Fourth Grade**

Birney: *The World According to Humphrey* c2005 (fiction, humor)  
Birney: *The Seven Wonders of Sassafras Springs* c2005 (fiction)  
Clements: *Lunch Money* c2005 (school, humor)  
Curtis: *Mr. Chickee's Funny Money* c2005 (mystery, ethnic diversity)  
Duffey: *Hey, New Kid!* c1996 (school story)  
Feelings: *Soul Looks Back in Wonder* c1993 (poetry, ethnic diversity)  
Fleming: *The Fabled Fourth Graders of Aesop Elementary School* c2007 (school story)  
Grimes: *Talkin' About Bessie* c2002 (biography, ethnic diversity)  
Gutman: *My Weird School* series (series, school humor)  
Howe: *It Came from Beneath the Bed* c2002 (humor, fantasy)  
Hurwitz: *Fourth Grade Fuss* c2004 (school story)  
Kehret: *Shelter Dogs: Amazing Stories of Adopted Strays* c1999 (animals, non-fiction)  
MacDonald: *No More Nasty* c2001 (humor, school story)  
McDonald: *Judy Moody* c2000 (humor, school story)  
Noble: *The Last Brother* (Tales of Young America series) c2006 (historical fiction)  
Pennypacker: *Clementine* c2006 (fiction, series)  
Roy: *A to Z Mysteries* (series, mystery)  
San Souci: *The Dangerous Snake and Reptile Club* c2004 (friends, fiction)  
Strickland: *When Mack Came Back* c2000 (family, historical fiction)  
Various authors: *My America* series (historical fiction)

### **Before Entering Fifth Grade**

Barry: *Peter and the Starcatchers* c2004 (contemporary fantasy)  
Collins: *Gregor the Overlander* c2003 (fantasy)  
DiCamillo: *The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane* c2006 (fantasy)  
Foreman: *Summer of the Skunks* c2002 (historical fiction)  
Gorman: *Dork in Disguise* c1999 (school story)  
Gutman: *Baseball Card Adventures* (sports, historical fiction)  
Hannigan: *Ida B: ... and Her Plans to Maximize Fun, Avoid Disaster, and (Possibly) Save the World* c2004 (realistic fiction, school story)  
Hunter: *Into the Wild* c2003 (animal fiction)  
Lasky: *The Capture* (Guardians of Ga'Hoole series) c2003 (fantasy)  
Martin: *Main Street* series (realistic fiction)  
Norman: *My Feet are Laughing* c2006 (poetry)  
Peck: *A Year Down Yonder* c2000 (humor, historical fiction)  
Seidler: *Toes* c2004 (animals, fiction)  
Smith: *Bone* c2004 (graphic novel)  
Soto: *Baseball in April and Other Stories* c1990 (ethnic diversity)  
Strasser: *Help!* Series (fantasy, humor)  
Stewart: *The Mysterious Benedict Society* c2007 (fiction, adventure)  
Wright: *The Wish Master* c2000 (realistic fiction)  
Various Authors: *Dear America* series (historical fiction)  
Skurzynski and Ferguson: *Mysteries in Our National Parks* series (mystery, adventure)

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**Before Entering Sixth Grade**

- Blackwood: *The Shakespeare Stealer* c1998 (adventure/mystery)  
Broach: *Shakespeare's Secret* c2005. (mystery)  
Carbone: *Stealing Freedom* c1998. (historical fiction)  
Creech: *The Wanderer* c2000. (adventure)  
Cushman: *The Ballad of Lucy Whipple* c1996 (historical fiction)  
Di Camillo: *The Tale of Despereaux: Being the Story of a Mouse, a Princess, Some Soup, and a Spool of Thread* c2003. (fantasy)  
Funke: *Inkheart* c2003 (fantasy)  
Giff: *Nory Ryan's Song* c2000 (historical fiction)  
Golding: *The Secret Within* c2002 (contemporary realistic, child abuse (not sexual))  
Haddix: *Double Identity* c2005 (mystery)  
Hesse: *Music of the Dolphins* c1996 (realistic fiction)  
Holm: *Penny from Heaven* c2006 (historical fiction) *Newbery honor winner*  
Isaacs: *Torn Thread* c2000 (historical fiction)  
Kehret: *Abduction!* c2004 (adventure/contemporary realistic fiction)  
Levine: *Hana's Suitcase: A True Story* c2002 (biography)  
Paratore: *The Wedding Planner's Daughter* c2005 (humor/romance)  
Ryan: *Esperanza Rising* c2000 (historical fiction/diversity)  
Smith: *Peak* c2005 (adventure/coming-of-age)  
Selznick: *The Invention of Hugo Cabret: A Novel in Words and Pictures* c2007  
(adventure/mystery) *2008 Caldecott Medal Winner*  
Whelan: *Angel on the Square* c2001 (historical fiction)