



Summer Reading in New Fairfield

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Building a Culture of Reading



The New Fairfield Public Schools is committed to building a **culture of reading** that:

- Fosters **authentic, shared reading experiences** for all ages
- Promotes reading **across a wide variety of interests** as a **vehicle for learning and discourse**
- Partners **across students, staff, and families** to build a community of readers.

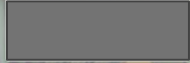
Summer Reading is one vehicle that we are enhancing this year with these guiding principles in mind.

Our Revitalized Libraries

In collaboration with staff,

- **Book boards / Reading menus** curated on school / district webpages
- **Grade-level Book Lists** to focus reading selection
- **Teacher Recommendations / “Book Picks”** to connect students to books
- **Summer Book Club meetings** offered for NFMS and NFHS students
- Partnering with **New Fairfield Public Library Summer Reading Program**





[Find Your Next Book](#)

[Teacher Recommendations](#)

[Student Favorites](#)

READ. RELAX. REPEAT



New Fairfield Elementary School



- **One School, One Author** - Kate DiCamillo (*Texts provided to all families in partnership with PTO.*)
- **Summer Reading Logs** coupled with **fluency tools** from literacy instruction
- **NFES Summer Book Blasts** via text / email to families



New Fairfield Middle School



- **Student Personalized Reading Plans** created with teachers, shared with parents / families (minimum select 2 books to read from list), with Fall Check-In
- **NFMS Fall Book Chats** cross-disciplinary, team-based
- **Teacher Book Boards** ongoing across the school year ... *“What are you reading now?”*

New Fairfield High School



- **Grade-level / course reading lists** for all English classes linked to course's essential question / theme
- **Facilitated class discussion / written reflection** for assignment grade
- **Rebel Block Book Talk** school-wide, cross-disciplinary

Future Reads ...

