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## 2025-26 Incoming 7th Grade Summer Reading

Dear Parents/Guardians of Future 7th Graders,

In an initiative to kick-start 7<sup>th</sup> grade, students are kindly asked to read ***When You Reach Me*** by Rebecca Stead. This novel shall be read over the summer along with completing all IXL work.

As students read, they must highlight important information like key events and character traits. This will allow students to discuss the book upon returning to school in September.

## 2025-26 Incoming 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Reading List

Throughout the upcoming 2025-2026 academic year, students will be assigned three novels to read in-class. The following is our list: ***Freak the Mighty*** by Rodman Philbrick, ***The Giver*** by Lois Lowry, and ***I Will Always Write Back: How One Letter Changed Two Lives*** by Caitlin Alifirenka, Liz Welch, and Martin Ganda.

Please purchase these three books at the start of the year in paperback and have your student bring them to school on our first day.

Best regards,

7th Grade ELA Teacher