

Savannah Classical Academy

Summer Reading List

Rising Fifth Grade

Savannah Classical Academy is committed to providing your child with a rigorous academic curriculum driven by high expectations. We developed our Summer Reading program in line with this philosophy, wishing to challenge the students during the summer months with informative, inspirational, and classic literature, while preparing the students for the upcoming year's curriculum.

Every student is expected to complete ALL the reading and memorization for recitation by the first day of school (August 2nd).

While a reading log is not required, we encourage you to have your student read consistently over the summer instead of trying to cram all of the reading in just before August 3rd. Your student can also earn prizes by participating in the Live Oak Public Library's reading program which starts on June 1st. You can register for the program by visiting any library in Chatham County or by visiting the Live Oak Library web page at: liveoakpl.org.

When searching for books appropriate for your reading level, it may help to know your Lexile Score. You may find your Lexile in the top corner of your report card.

Required Literature

Number the Stars by Lois Lowry **OR** *A Wrinkle in Time* by Madeleine L'Engle
Be prepared to discuss your book by August 3rd.

Required Biography

Read a biography about **Abraham Lincoln** at your reading level and be prepared to discuss and share some facts by August 3rd.

Required Memorization

"Concord Hymn" by Ralph Waldo Emerson
(on following page)

Concord Hymn

BY RALPH WALDO EMERSON

By the rude bridge that arched the flood,
Their flag to April's breeze unfurled,
Here once the embattled farmers stood
And fired the shot heard round the world.

The foe long since in silence slept;
Alike the conqueror silent sleeps;
And Time the ruined bridge has swept
Down the dark stream which seaward creeps.

On this green bank, by this soft stream,
We set today a votive stone;
That memory may their deed redeem,
When, like our sires, our sons are gone.

Spirit, that made those heroes dare
To die, and leave their children free,
Bid Time and Nature gently spare
The shaft we raise to them and thee.