

# Savannah Classical Academy

Summer Reading List

Rising Sixth Grade

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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 2<sup>nd</sup>).**

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](http://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

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Please select 2 :

*Tuck Everlasting* by Natalie Babbitt

*Cricket in Times Square* by George Selden

*Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry* by Mildred D. Taylor

*Bridge to Terabithia* by Katherine Paterson

*Arabian Nights* by Laurence Housman

*Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan

Be prepared to discuss your books by August 3rd.

## Required Memorization

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

# The 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 that seaward creeps.

On this green bank, by this soft stream,  
We set to-day a votive stone,  
That memory may their deeds redeem,  
When, like our sires, our sons are gone.

Spirit who made those freeman dare  
To die, and leave their children free,—  
Bid Time and Nature gently spare  
The shaft we raised to them and Thee.