

**Columbus/Carylwood Intermediate School**  
**Bearcat Required Summer Reading**  
**Students Entering 5<sup>th</sup> Grade ‘17-’18 School Year**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

While summer is a time for your child to relax and play with friends, it should also be a time to curl up with a good book and read. Summer reading is not only enjoyable – it is a must. Studies have shown that when children read each day they learn to read more fluently and improve comprehension skills. If children don’t read for a month or two, they are likely to lose a great deal of the progress they have made during the year.

Children who read during the summer start school ready to continue their progress and adapt more quickly to their grade level curriculum.

**During the summer we expect our 5<sup>th</sup> graders to read and enjoy books from the Summer Reading List submitted for Columbus Intermediate School to the Cuyahoga County Library – Southeast Branch. Students are to choose one book from the grade level selections and complete the attached book review. The completed book review will be the first Reading graded assignment. Students must hand in the completed Summer Reading materials **ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL, NO EXCEPTIONS!****

Summer Reading selections are available at area bookstores and libraries. The books can also be acquired from online bookstores. **It is the student’s responsibility to get the book and complete the appropriate assignment.** Failure to complete the Summer Reading activity will result in a reduction of the first quarter’s final Reading grade.

**THE SUMMER READING PROGRAM IS A REQUIREMENT!**  
**IT IS DUE ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL!**

We appreciate your continued support of your child’s academic pursuits. With your encouragement and support of this Summer Reading assignment, your son/daughter will begin the 2017-2018 school year in a very positive manner.

The Summer Reading information will be available at the Southeast Branch of the Cuyahoga Library and on our website at [www.bedford.k12.oh.us](http://www.bedford.k12.oh.us). If you have any questions, please contact my office at (440) 439-4509, ext 6400.

Sincerely,

Columbus/Carylwood  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade Team

# Columbus/Carylwood Intermediate School

## Summer Reading 2017

### Book List

**Choose a book from the list below, OR choose any novel (chapter book) at your reading level (try to challenge yourself):**

The 39 Clues (any in the series) by various authors  
Animorphs (any in the series) by K. A. Applegate  
The Baby-sitter's Club (any in the series) by Ann M. Martin  
The Chronicles of Narnia (any in the series) by E. B. White  
Diary of a Wimpy Kid (any in the series) by Jeff Kinney  
The Doll People (any in the series) by Ann M. Martin & Laura Godwin  
Goosebumps (any in the series) by R. L. Stine  
The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman  
The Great Gilly Hopkins by Katherine Patterson  
The Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid Banks  
The Olympians (any in the series) by Rick Riordan  
The Penderwicks (any in the series) by Jeanne Birdsall  
Ramona Quimby (any in the series) by Beverly Cleary  
Rules by Cynthia Lord  
Shadow Children (any in the series) by Margaret Peterson Haddix  
Stuart Little by E.B. White  
Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing (any in the series) by Judy Blume  
The Underland Chronicles (any in the series) by Suzanne Collins  
The Willoughbys (any in the series) by Lois Lowry

**THE PROJECT IS DUE THE FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL**

**COLUMBUS/CARYLWOOD  
SUMMER READING  
RESPONSE TO LITERACY CHECKLIST  
Entering Grades 5**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Book Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer the following prompts in complete, well-written sentences. All assignments must be typed or neatly written. You may also choose to answer the prompts in a more creative manner including: **a book jacket, a flip book, a one-page newspaper article, a movie poster, a comic strip, a radio or TV broadcast, or by incorporating technology (example: a powerpoint presentation)**. ALL PROMPTS/QUESTIONS MUST BE ADDRESSED in complete sentences. Each question must be answered with 3-5 sentences-minimum.

1. Title and author of your book. (5 points)
2. CHARACTERS: Who are the main characters and how did they change throughout the book? (10 points)
3. SETTING: Where and when does the story take place (setting)? (5 points)
4. CLIMAX: What is the problem in story and how was it solved? This is usually the most exciting part of the book. (5 points)
5. PLOT: What are the main events of the story? (15 points)
6. THEME: What is the moral or the story? What does the author want you to learn from the book? (5 points)
7. Creativity/Effort (5 points)

**NOTE: Extra credit may be awarded for exceptionally completed projects.**