McLaurin High School Recommended Reading for Summer 2016

Please read 2 suggested books. All students who read 2 appropriate grade level books from our school list can qualify for a Wal-Mart gift card drawing. They qualify by completing the questions on the reading response form for each book and returning the form to their English teacher by August 30th. They will then be entered into the drawing for one of two $50 gift cards to Wal-Mart. (Response form follows reading list.)

Live Green, Love Gold, We Are McLaurin

Entering 7th grade:

Any of the books in The Shadow Children Series- Margaret Haddix
   (Among the Hidden; Among the Impostors; Among the Betrayed; Among the Barons; Among the Brave; Among the Enemy; Among the Free)
Any of the books in The Percy Jackson and the Olympians Series- Rick Riordan
   (The Lightening Thief; The Sea of Monsters; The Titan's Curse; The Battle of the Labyrinth; The Last Olympian; The Demigod Files)
Any of the books in The Inheritance Series- Christopher Paolini
   (Eragon, Eldest, Brisingr)
Savvy- Ingrid Law
I Beat the Odds- Michael Oher
Summer Ball- Mike Lupica
Alice in Wonderland- Lewis Carroll
Anne of Green Gables- L.M. Montgomery
Cheaper by the Dozen- Frank B. Gilbreth, Jr. and Ernestine Gilbreth Carey
Homecoming- Cynthia Voight

Entering 8th Grade:

Any of the books in The Chronicles of Narnia Series- C.S. Lewis
   (The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe; Prince Caspian; The Voyage of the Dawn Treader; The Silver Chair; The Horse and His Boy; The Magician’s Nephew; The Last Battle)
Any of the books in The Divergent Series- Veronica Roth
   (Divergent; Insurgent; Allegiant)
Any of the books in The Kane Chronicles Series- Rick Riordon
   (The Red Pyramid; The Throne of Fire; The Serpent’s Shadow)
Any of the books in The Maze Runner Series- James Dashner
   (The Maze Runner; The Scorch Trials)
Game Changer- Margaret Haddix
Friday Night Lights: a town, a team, and a dream- H.G. Bissinger
A Walk Across America- Peter Jenkins
The Light in the Forest- Conrad Richter
The Pearl- John Steinbeck
The Red Pony- John Steinbeck
The Red Badge of Courage- Stephen Crane
Call of the Wild- Jack London

**Entering 9th/10th Grade:**

Any of the books from the Maximum Ride Series- James Patterson
(The Angel Experiment; School’s Out Forever; Saving the World and Other Extreme Sports; The Final Warning; Max; Fang; Angel and Nevermore)
Any of the books from The Shiver Series- Maggie Stiefvater
(Shiver; Linger; Forever)
The Pact- Drs. Sampson Davis, George Jenkins, and Rameck Hunt
Three Weeks with My Brother- Nicholas Sparks and Micah Sparks
The Glass Castle- Jeannette Wells
The Help- Katherine Stockett
My Sister’s Keeper- Jodi Picoult
Speak- Laurie Halse Anderson
Through My Eyes- Tim Tebow
A Separate Peace- John Knowles
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings- Maya Angelou
Fahrenheit 451- Ray Bradbury

**Entering 11th/12th Grade:**

Any of the books from The Lord of the Rings series- J.R.R. Tolkien
(The Fellowship of the Ring; The Two Towers; The Return of the King)
Any of the books from the Ender’s Shadow Series- Orson Scott Card
(Ender’s Shadow; Shadow of the Hegemon; Shadow Puppets; Shadow of the Giant)
Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter- Seth Grahame-Smith
A Farewell to Arms- Ernest Hemingway
One Shot at Forever: A Small Town, an Unlikely Coach, and a Magical Baseball Season- Chris Ballard
The Zookeeper’s Wife: A War Story- Diane Ackerman
All Over But the Shoutin’- Rick Braggs
The Color Purple- Alice Walker
The Last Lecture- Randy Pausch
Fallen Angels- Walter Dean Myers
A Streetcar Named Desire- Tennessee Williams
As I Lay Dying- William Faulkner
A Good Man is Hard to Find- Flannery O’Connor
Frankenstein- Mary W. Shelley
McLaurin Summer Reading Response Form

Student Name and Grade________________________________________________________
Title of Book_______________________________________________________________
Author________________________________________________________________________

Summary:
Write a short summary of the book.

Who are the main characters and what are their roles in the story?

Author's Purpose:
What is the author's purpose for writing this book? (To Inform, Persuade, Entertain; Describe how this is done; provide examples)

What did the author want you to take away from this reading?

Who is the intended audience? Explain how you know.

Evaluation:
Did you like or dislike this book? Give an explanation of why.

Would you recommend this book to a peer? Give an explanation.