

Each summer, we require Ryan students to participate in a summer reading activity. This year, we have created a list of 15 books for each grade level. (See list for grade 12 here. See list for grade 11 here. See list for grade 9 here.)

Each student is required to read ONE book on the list and complete an online questionnaire about the book. (<u>Click here to access required</u> <u>questionnaire</u>.)

In addition, we ask that our students read as many other books and magazines as possible. Students are free to read whatever they find most interesting. To support that, we are having a contest. Students should fill out a slip for each book they read this summer (not including the required book from the list). Parents are asked to sign the slip, and students can return the slips to the Office of Academic Affairs during the first week of school. The more books a student reads the more chances s/he has to win. (Click here for book slips)

WHY SUMMER READING?

- To avoid the "summer slide"
- To sharpen literacy skills
- To increase vocabulary acquisition
- To open new worlds
- To foster a lifelong love for reading

Click <u>here</u> to read more about the importance of summer reading. (http://mediaroom.scholastic.com/files/10CriticalFactsaboutSummerReading.pdf)