

Sarasota School of Arts and Sciences Summer Reading Program



Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to your new 8th grade Language Arts classroom! Attached is a list of novels from which you are to choose your summer reading books. Every future eighth grader must read one required novel (*Nothing But the Truth* by Avi). There will be a test on *Nothing But the Truth* during the first week of school. *Any students who are listed as ESE or ESOL, are only required to read Nothing But the Truth. Also, you can read Nothing but the Truth while listening to it on tape!* All other students must also read at least one of the additional listed novels.

Our program is designed to promote the skills for effective reading and learning. A reading list and corresponding assignments can be found on the school's website, www.ssas.org. The intent of this list is to give you assistance in directing your child to some quality literature.

Books will be available at Barnes and Noble and Books-A-Million in Sarasota.

The following requirements are as follows:

6th Grade: One mandatory required book and one free choice book from the list

7th Grade: One mandatory required book and one free choice book from the list

8th Grade: One mandatory required book and one free choice book from the list.

Upon returning from summer vacation, each child will take an assessment test on the mandatory book and be required to hand in a project on the free choice book.

Sincerely,

The Language Arts' Department

