

Required Reading for Incoming 3rd Grade Students 2011

Please select 4 of the books listed to read.

Write a *Gerstell Academy Leadership Attribute* and a *Gerstell Academy Principle* that are demonstrated in the book.



Naming Liberty (Picture Book)

Yolen, Jane

In parallel stories, a Ukrainian Jewish family prepares to emigrate to the United States in the late 1800s, and Frederic Auguste Bartholdi designs, raises funds for, and builds the Statue of Liberty in honor of the United States' centennial.

Bee Tree (Picture Book)

Polacco, Patricia

To teach his daughter the value of books, a father leads a growing crowd in search of the tree where the bees keep all their honey.

Thank you, Mr. Falker (Picture Book)

Polacco, Patricia

At first, Trisha loves school, but her difficulty learning to read makes her feel dumb, until, in the fifth grade, a new teacher helps her understand and overcome her problem.

Lincoln and His Boys (Fiction)

Wells, Rosemary

Brothers Willie and Taddie share stories about their father, Abraham Lincoln, from 1859 to 1865.

The Buddha's Diamonds (Fiction)

Marsden, Carolyn

As a storm sweeps in, Tinh's father tells him to tie up their fishing boat but the storm scares him and he runs away, but when the damage to the boat is discovered, Tinh realizes what he must do.

Sunset of the Saber Tooth (Fiction)

Osborne, Mary Pope

The magic tree house transports Jack and Annie on a mission to the Ice Age where they encounter Cro-Magnons, cave bears, saber tooth tigers, and woolly mammoths.

Viking Ships at Sunrise (Fiction)

Osborne, Mary Pope

Their magic tree house takes Jack and Annie back to a monastery in medieval Ireland, where they try to retrieve a lost book while being menaced by Viking raiders.



The Adventures of Pinocchio (or any un-abridged version) (Fiction)

by Carlo Collodi ; illustrated by Greg Hildebrandt

The adventures of a mischievous wooden puppet, who wants more than anything else to become a real boy.

The Classic Treasury of Grimm's Fairy Tales (Any version or stories separately)

Rescue on the Outer Banks (Non Fiction)

Ransom, Candice

Sam Deal and his horse, Ginger, help an African-American lifesaving crew rescue shipwreck victims off the coast of North Carolina in 1896.

Colonial Voices : hear them speak (Non Fiction)

Winters, Kay

Ethan, a printer's errand boy, must deliver an important message to the Patriots, and as he makes his way through the streets of his city, he witnesses the daily events and practices of diverse groups of people. Hear the story of diverse Colonial voices when a secret message travels through Boston as trouble escalates.

The Star-Spangled Banner in Translation : What it Really Means (Non-Fiction)

Raum, Elizabeth

Presents the full text of "The Star-Spangled Banner" in both its original version and in a translated version using everyday language. Describes the events that led to the creation of America's national anthem and its significance through history.

One well : the story of water on Earth (Non Fiction)

Strauss, Rochelle

Includes index. Tells the story of Earth's water, introducing the concept of the planet's water as being contained in one well, and discussing the importance of water to survival of plants, animals, and people, recycling, access to water, pollution, and conservation

Harvesting Hope The story of Cesar Chavez (Biography)

Krull, Kathleen

A biography of Cesar Chavez, from age ten when he and his family lived happily on their Arizona ranch, to age thirty-eight when he led a peaceful protest against California migrant workers' miserable working conditions.

Campy: The Story of Roy Campanella (Biography)

Adler, David A

The first African-American catcher to integrate major league baseball when he joined the Brooklyn Dodgers, Roy Campanella's career ended in 1958 after a car accident. This picture book chronicles the life of a legend.



Odd boy Out : Young Albert Einstein (Biography)

Brown, Don

An introduction to the work and early life of the twentieth-century physicist whose theory of relativity revolutionized scientific thinking.

Thurgood Marshall (Biography)

Gibson, Karen Bush (or any version)

A biography of the civil rights lawyer who helped end school segregation and served as a Supreme Court Justice.

Juan Ponce de Leon (Biography)

Sutcliffe, Jane

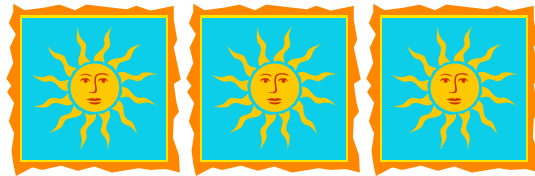
Spain -- The new world -- Island of the rich port -- La Florida -- Last voyage.



Walt Disney (Biography)

Preszler, June (or any version)

A biography of the well-known animator, moviemaker, and theme park creator whose technological advancements gave us Micky Mouse and Disneyland.





Gerstell Academy Leadership & Summer Reading 2011

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Leadership Attribute: _____

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