

Summer Reading List for Juniors 2010-11

Deception Point by Dan Brown (the author of *Angels and Demons* and *The Davinci Code*)

When a NASA satellite discovers a rare object buried deep in the Arctic ice, intelligence analyst Rachel Sexton is called to verify its authenticity and uncovers the unthinkable—scientific trickery that threatens to plunge the world into controversy. Chased by a team of assassins, Rachel's only hope for survival is to discover who is behind this masterful plot. The truth may be the most shocking deception of all.

I am the Messenger by Marcus Zusak

After capturing a bank robber, nineteen-year-old cab driver Ed Kennedy begins receiving mysterious messages that direct him to addresses where people need help, and he begins getting over his lifelong feeling of worthlessness.

13 Reasons Why by Jay Asher

After learning that he is one of the reasons why a classmate (Hannah) committed suicide, Clay Jensen is forced to listen to a recording of Hannah's voice and follow a map of important places to learn the truth of her pain and just how he was involved.

Nailed by Patrick Jones (Author will be visiting Waupaca in October.)

An outcast in a school full of jocks, sixteen-year-old Bret struggles to keep his individuality through his interest in drama and music, while trying to reconnect with his father.

Sarah's Key by Tatiana De Rosnay

Paris, July 1942: Sarah, a ten year-old Jewish girl is brutally arrested with her family by the French police in the Vel'd'Hiv' roundup, but not before she locks her younger brother in a cupboard in the family's apartment, thinking she will be back within a few hours. Paris, May 2002: On Vel'd'Hiv's 60th anniversary, journalist Julia Jarmond is asked to write an article about this black day in France's past. Through her investigation, the histories of Sarah and Julia collide in mysterious ways.

The Hunger Games by Suzanne Collins

In the ruins of a place once known as North America lies the nation of Panem, a shining Capitol surrounded by twelve outlying districts. The Capitol is harsh and cruel and keeps the districts in line by forcing them all to send one boy and one girl between the ages of 12 and 18 to participate in the annual Hunger Games, a fight to the death on live TV. Sixteen-year-old Katniss regards it as a death sentence when she steps forward to take her sister's place in the games. If she is to win, she will have to start making choices that weigh survival against humanity and life against love.

An Abundance of Katherines by John Green (Author will be visiting Waupaca in October.)

Colin Singleton has only dated girls named Katherine. Nineteen Katherines, in fact, and he has been dumped by every single one of them. In an attempt to heal his broken heart, he ventures out on a road trip with his overweight, Judge Judy loving best friend. He spends the summer creating a Theorem of Underlying Katherine Predictability, which he hopes will help him predict the course of any given relationship. But can love really be predicted?

Nineteen Minutes by Jodi Picoult

Sterling is an ordinary New Hampshire town where nothing ever happens—until the day its complacency is shattered by an act of violence. The girl who should be the state's best witness can't remember what happened before her very own eyes---or can she?

Odd Thomas by Dean Koontz

Odd Thomas is just that. He communes with and sees the dead, some of whom enlist his help in avenging their deaths from foul play.