



Students,

You will be reading **one (1) required book** this summer. You will also be completing **one** book report. . Book reports are due the first day of school.

Students entering 6th Grade REQUIRED reading:

The Last Battle - C. S. Lewis

Students entering 7th Grade REQUIRED reading:

A Wrinkle in Time – Madeleine L’Engle

The instructions for the book report follow. Please contact Mrs. Nicole Johns (njohns@bethhaven.com) with any questions regarding the required reading or the required report.

Book Report Directions

Below is a description of the book report that must be completed.

Three - four pages, double-spaced and typed. This be typed in TIMES NEW ROMAN, and font size 12. No exceptions.

1. Introduce your book. Begin with an interesting opening statement. This should be a “hook” that would entice someone who has not read the book to want to read it. Your introduction should also include the author’s name, the title and type of your book, the number of pages and a short, general description of what your book is about.
2. Give some biographical information on the author. Talk about what influenced the writer to write their book. You could also talk about where they lived at the time and what their profession may have been. You must include how their life influenced/influences their writing. Make a connection.
3. Describe the main characters and the plot. This should include the exposition of the novel. Set the scene for the novel in your own words.
4. Choose at least 2 characters and analyze their behavior. You should use MULTIPLE character traits to describe your characters. Explain why you chose what you chose.
5. Give your interpretation of the author’s theme. Be sure to both CLEARLY STATE the theme that you have chosen and interpret the theme. You should also reflect and apply it to your life. You must have a minimum of 5 quotes (spread fairly evenly through the novel) to support your opinion.
6. Be the Critic. What was done well? What might have been improved? What part of the book did you like/dislike the most? Would you recommend this book to others? Why/why not?
7. Write a conclusion. This should wrap up aspects from the entire paper.

If you need help defining any of the terms - Google is your friend! Remember - a “theme” is the lesson or moral that the author is trying to convey.

Be sure to be both clear and concise in this paper! You should have strong transitions and the paper should flow. You need to read your paper out loud to a parent before turning it in, if you bring in a note signed saying that you completed this part of the assignment as a part of your revision process, you will receive extra credit. These will go in as test grades at the BEGINNING of the year! Start off strong!