

**Hackensack Middle School  
Incoming 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Summer Reading List  
2014-2015**

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<b>Title</b>	<b>Author</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Genre</b>
<i>Shug</i>	Jenny Han	A twelve-year-old girl learns about friendship, first loves, and self-worth in a small town in the South.	Fiction / Realistic
<i>Cuba 15</i>	Nancy Osa	Violet Paz, a Chicago high school student, reluctantly prepares for her upcoming "quince," a Spanish nickname for the celebration of an Hispanic girl's fifteenth birthday.	Fiction / Realistic
<i>After Tupac and D Foster</i>	Jacqueline Woodson	In the New York City borough of Queens in 1996, three girls bond over their shared love of Tupac Shakur's music, as together they try to make sense of the unpredictable world which they live.	Fiction / Realistic
<i>Peak</i>	Roland Smith	A fourteen-year-old boy attempts to be the youngest person to reach the top of Mount Everest.	Fiction / Adventure
<i>Airman</i>	Eoin Colfer	In the 1890s on an island off the Irish coast, Conor Broekhart is falsely imprisoned and passes the solitary months by scratching designs of flying machines into the walls, including one for a glider with which he dreams of escape.	Fiction / Adventure
<i>Ruby Red</i>	Kerstin Gier	Sixteen-year-old Gwyneth discovers that she, rather than her well-prepared cousin, carries a time-travel gene, and soon she is journeying with Gideon, who shares the gift, through historical London trying to discover whom they can trust.	Fiction / Science Fiction
<i>Kick</i>	Walter Dean Myers	Told in their separate voices, thirteen-year-old soccer star Kevin and police sergeant Brown, who knew his father, try to keep Kevin out of juvenile hall after he is arrested on very serious charges.	Fiction / Sports

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<i>The Kayla Chronicles</i>	Sherri Winston	Kayla transforms herself from mild-mannered journalist to hot-trotting dance diva in order to properly investigate her high school's dance team, and has a hard time remaining true to her real self while in the role.	Fiction / Realistic
<i>Terrier</i>	Tamora Pierce	When sixteen-year-old Beka becomes "Puppy" to a pair of "Dogs," as the Provost's Guards are called, she uses her police training, natural abilities, and a touch of magic to help them solve the case of a murdered baby in Tortall's Lower City.	Fiction / Fantasy
<i>Incarceron</i>	Catherine Fisher	To free herself from an upcoming arranged marriage, Claudia, the daughter of the Warden of Incarceron, a futuristic prison with a mind of its own, decides to help a young prisoner escape.	Fiction / Fantasy
<i>Ranger's Apprentice</i>	John Flanagan	When fifteen-year-old Will is rejected by battleschool, he becomes the reluctant apprentice to the mysterious Ranger Halt, and winds up protecting the kingdom from danger.	Fiction / Fantasy
<i>Everlost</i>	Neal Shusterman	When Nick and Allie are killed in a car crash, they end up Everlost, or limbo for lost souls, where, although Nick is satisfied, Allie will stop at nothing--even skinjacking--to break free.	Fiction / Science Fiction
<i>Reckless</i>	Cornelia Funke	Jacob and Will Reckless have looked out for each other ever since their father disappeared, but when Jacob discovers a magical mirror that transports him to a warring world populated by witches, giants, and ogres, he keeps it to himself until Will follows him one day, with dire consequences.	Fiction / Fantasy
<i>Summer of the Mariposas</i>	Guadalupe Garcia McCall	In an adventure reminiscent of Homer's Odyssey, fifteen-year-old Odilia and her four younger sisters embark on a journey to return a dead man to his family in Mexico,	Fiction / Adventure

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