



Blythewood Middle School Summer Reading



Determination

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Purpose of Summer Reading

- Encourage students to read in order to increase reading stamina, grow vocabulary, and improve writing skills. This year each middle school has chosen a theme for students to choose from this school year. BMS has chosen Determination.

Instructions

- Students can choose from books, articles, poems, or songs dealing with determination. Students can pick a book from this list or any other that deals with the same theme.
- Students will complete the attached [Choice Board](#)
- Completed Choice Boards will be turned into your ELA teacher or Mrs. Brown at the start of the school year, or turned in throughout the summer via this Google Form <https://bit.ly/BMS2023SR>.

Suggestions

- Visit the Richland Library to check out books [online](#) & track your reading by participating in their Summer Reading Challenge: <https://www.richlandlibrary.com/summer>.
- Use your Richland 2 Username & Password to access digital books in Sora: <https://soraapp.com/welcome/login/200148> & Destiny Discover: wbb22065.follettshelf.com there is a determination collection set up in both Sora and Destiny to make it easier for students.
- Hard copies of articles will be available for pick up. Please contact Christy Brown, Curriculum Specialist, via email cbrown@richland2.org if you would like a hard copy.



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This summer, our reading will center around the theme of **determination**. The texts listed below are suggestions. Students can choose to read other novels, poems, articles, etc that explore the theme of determination not listed below.

Fiction and Memoirs	Poetry / Song Lyrics	Articles
• <i>Tune It Out</i> by Jamie Sumner • <i>The Canyon's Edge</i> by Dusti Bowling • <i>Starfish</i> by Lisa Fipps • <i>White Bird</i> by R.J. Palacio • <i>Isaiah Dunn is my Hero</i> by Kelly J Baptist • <i>New Kid</i> by Jerry Craft • <i>Mazy Chen's Last Chance</i> by Lisa Yee • <i>Wink</i> by Rob Harrell • <i>Alone</i> by Megan Freeman • <i>Turtle Boy</i> by Evan M. Wolkenstein	"Still I Rise" by Maya Angelou "If" by Rudyard Kipling "Dreams" by Langston Hughes "The Fighter" by Keith Urban and Carrie Underwood "I'm Still Standing" by Elton John "All in this Together" High School Musical "Unstoppable" by Sei "Count on Me" by Bruno Mars "The Climb" by Miley Cyrus	Teen Olympic medalist Sky Brown 4 Inspiring sports persons who failed big time before becoming superstars Motivation and the Power of Not Giving Up



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Choice Board: Students are asked to complete as many activities on the choice board below as they wish. Any text read should have the theme of determination, and any of the activities completed should highlight that theme. Activities can be submitted using the Google form (<https://bit.ly/BMS2022SR>) as they are completed or turned in at the start of the school year.

AVID One Pager Include the text title, the author's name, and at least one illustration. Include color and limit the white/blank space on the paper. Include three pieces of textual evidence and an explanation for how the three pieces of evidence related to the theme. You can create this on paper or in a digital format. Fiction Exemplar Non-fiction Exemplar	Blackout Poem Black Out Poem Instructions using Google Slides Blackout Poem Instructions Using Paper/Pencil Find words that emphasize the theme of determination.	#BookTok Using the video program of your choice (WeVideo, Create a #BookTok about a reading or readings of your choice. Please make sure you discuss the theme of determination, as well as highlighting important parts of the book (characters, events, quote, etc.). Video 1 Video 2
Netflix Movie Listing Imagine one of your readings is being turned into a made for Netflix movie/documentary. Create a listing that has a single image, title, author, summary, genre, starred review, and other relevant information. Please highlight the theme of determination in your listing. Exemplar	Insta-worthy Collect a series of images, in a format of your choice, that is worthy of posting on Instagram. Include a quote from the text for each image and at least one hashtag to go along with the image. Novels/memoirs (10 images) Poems/Songs/Articles (1 image each - at least five different pieces of text). Please highlight the theme of determination in your listing. Exemplar	Think - Pair - Share Pair up with another person (friend, classmate, sibling, parent, mentor, etc.) and choose a novel, memoir, poems, or articles. Read together and discuss the theme of determination. Then together write a reflection piece to include: Title(s), what part(s) of the text provides the best evidence of resilience, and what connection(s) can you make to this text (text to self, text to text, or text to real-world). Reflections should be at least a paragraph in length.