



Eighth Grade Summer Reading Guidelines

Eighth graders will read *The Wednesday Wars* by Gary D. Schmidt.

You are expected to read this novel carefully without using Internet summaries or any sources other than the actual book (including movies). When reading your novel, you are strongly encouraged to make your own notes to help you study for the test. Some suggestions for notes include a brief summary of chapters; for example, use only 2 or 3 well-written sentences to tell what happens in that particular chapter. You may also consider keeping a list of characters. As you read the book, write brief phrases to identify important characters. Finally, you might want to take notes about the setting and important themes. *You will not be able to use these notes on the test, but they will serve as a valuable study guide.*

You will take a test on this book on **Tuesday, August 10, 2021**, which will include a writing portion. **On this date, you must also turn in your signed compliance form, which is worth 11 points of your summer reading grade.**