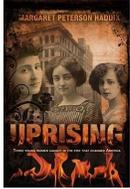


St. Patrick's Episcopal Day School  
 2018 Summer Reading for Students Entering Grade 8\*

Required Reading Grade 8

*Uprising*



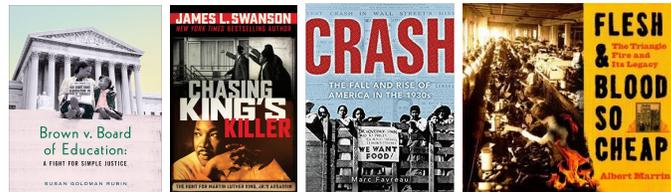
Haddix,  
 Margaret  
 Peterson

Told from alternating points of view, this historical novel draws upon the experiences of three different young women who work together at the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory under terrible conditions, and are present during the fateful fire on March 25, 1911. Includes historical notes. \*Available in audio through Tales2Go.

**\*Read two books and four articles for your Capstone Project.**

**\*Read two more books - one from the list below.**

Nonfiction



*Brown V. Board of Education: A Fight for Simple Justice*

Rubin, Susan  
 Goldman

This thorough look at the landmark Supreme Court case that ended school segregation illuminates an important part of U.S. history.

*Chasing King's Killer*

Swanson, James  
 L.

Swanson, author of *Chasing Lincoln's Killer* (2009), explores all aspects of the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the impact of his death. \*Available in audio through Tales2Go.

*Crash: the Great Depression and the Fall and Rise of America*

Favreau, Marc

*Crash* tells the story of the Great Depression, from the sweeping fallout of the market collapse to the more personal stories of those caught up in the aftermath.

*Flesh & Blood So Cheap: The Triangle Fire and Its Legacy*

Marrin, Albert

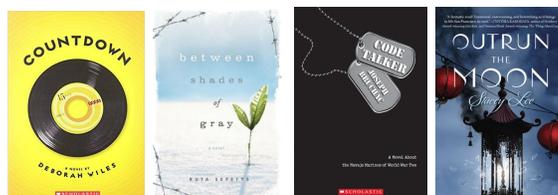
Detailed drama of the notorious 1911 Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire, in which 146 workers died. Most of the victims were immigrant women between the ages of 14 and 23. Their catastrophic deaths lead to changes in U.S. working conditions and fueled a campaign for union rights. \*Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.

## Biographies & Memoirs



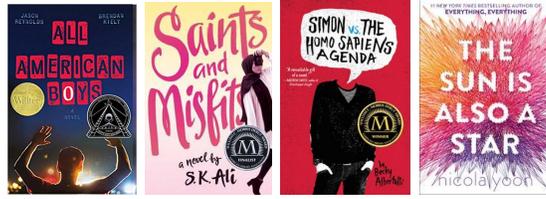
- Americanized: Rebel Without a Green Card* Saedi, Sara In San Jose, California, in the 1990s, teenaged Sara keeps a diary of life as an Iranian American and her discovery that she and her family entered as undocumented immigrants. \*Available in audio through Audible.
- Blood Brother: Jonathan Daniels and His Sacrifice for Civil Rights* Wallace, Rich and Sandra Neil Wallace Biography of Episcopal seminary student, Jonathan Daniels, highlights his life, faith and work as a civil rights worker in the 1960s South where many knowingly put their lives on the line for the cause.
- Enchanted Air: Two Cultures, Two Wings, a Memoir* Engle, Margarita Memoir of the first fourteen years of Engle's life in poems, telling of her time spent between her mother's native Cuba and her home in Los Angeles, until the revolution in Cuba dramatically alters relations between the two countries she loves.
- Fannie Never Flinched: One Woman's Courage in the Struggle for American Labor Union Rights* Farrell, Mary Cronk Biography chronicles Fannie Sellins' life as a garment worker, organizer, and martyr for workers' rights at the turn of the 20th century.

## Historical Fiction



- 60s Trilogy, The (Countdown, Revolution)* Wiles, Deborah These two books by Wiles are told from the perspective of two young adults, one during the Cuban Missile Crisis and one during Freedom Summer. \*Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.
- Between Shades of Gray* Sepetys, Ruta In 1941, fifteen-year-old Lina, her mother, and brother are pulled from their Lithuanian home by Soviet guards and sent to Siberia, where her father is sentenced to death in a prison camp while she fights for her life, vowing to honor her family and the thousands like hers by burying her story in a jar on Lithuanian soil. \*Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.
- Code Talker: a novel about the Navajo Marines of World War II* Bruchac, Joseph After being taught in a boarding school run by whites that Navajo is a useless language, Ned Begay and other Navajo men are recruited by the Marines to become code talkers, sending messages during World War II in their native tongue. \*Available in audio through Tales2Go.
- Outrun the Moon* Lee, Stacey On the eve of the San Francisco Earthquake of 1906, Mercy Wong--daughter of Chinese immigrants--is struggling to hold her own among the spoiled heiresses at prestigious St. Clare's School. When tragedy strikes, everyone must band together to survive. \*Available in audio through Tales2Go.

## Realistic Fiction



*All American Boys*

Reynolds, Jason

2016 Coretta Scott King Honor book/Walter Dean Myers Award. Two teens—one black, one white—grapple with the repercussions of a single violent act that leaves their school, their community, and, ultimately, the country bitterly divided by racial tension. A bag of chips. That's all sixteen-year-old Rashad is looking for at the corner bodega. What he finds instead is a fist-happy cop, Paul Galluzzo, who mistakes Rashad for a shoplifter. \*Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.

*Saints and Misfits*

Ali, S.K.

Janna is an Arab Indian-American, hijabi, teenaged book-nerd who does not date. But suddenly a boy from school she has a crush on seems to like her back and another boy, a well-respected figure in the local Muslim community has just assaulted her. \*Available in audio through Audible.

*Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda*

Albertalli, Becky

Sixteen-year-old, not-so-openly-gay Simon Spier is blackmailed into playing wingman for his classmate or else his sexual identity--and that of his pen pal--will be revealed. \*Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.

*Sun Is Also a Star, The*

Yoon, Nicola

Natasha believes in science and facts. Daniel is a poet and a dreamer. The universe brings them together on a busy New York City street in this beautiful and philosophical love story. \*Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.

## Classics



*145th Street: Short Stories*

Myers, Walter  
Dean

Ten stories portray life on a block in Harlem.

*Before We Were Free*

Alvarez, Julia

Anita, a typically self-absorbed twelve-year-old living in the Dominican Republic in the early 1960s, is surprised to discover her family is involved in the underground movement to end the bloody rule of the dictator, General Trujillo. \*Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.

*Jane Eyre*

Bronte, Charlotte

"Plain" orphan Jane Eyre is not expected to amount to much. When she is appointed as a governess at the gothic mansion of Thornfield, and has a chance to make more of her life, including a chance at real love. But when tragedy strikes, she will have to use all her bravery, spirit and resolve to overcome her supposed fate, and forge her own destiny. \*Available in audio through Audible.

<i>Outsiders, The</i>	Hinton, S.E.	Rivalry between rich and poor gangs in 1960s Oklahoma leads to the deaths of three teenagers and intense soul-searching for one of the kids involved, a sensitive fourteen-year-old writer named Ponyboy. *Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.
<i>Tree Grows in Brooklyn, A</i>	Smith, Betty	Young Francie Nolan, having inherited both her father's romantic and her mother's practical nature, struggles to survive and thrive growing up in the slums of Brooklyn in the early twentieth century. *Available in audio through Audible.

### Sports & Adventure



<i>Becoming Kareem: Growing Up On and Off the Court</i>	Abdul-Jabbar, Kareem	Becoming Kareem chronicles how Kareem Abdul-Jabbar become the icon and legend he is today, both on and off the court. *Available in audio through Audible.
<i>Blacktop series</i>	Alonge, L.J.	Blacktop follows five city kids who come together to form a pick-up basketball team.
<i>Dairy Queen</i>	Murdock, Catherine	After spending her summer running the family farm and training the quarterback for her school's rival football team, sixteen-year-old D.J. decides to go out for the sport herself, not anticipating the reactions of those around her. *Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.
<i>Pinned</i>	Flake, Sharon	Autumn, a competitive wrestler and the only girl on her team, and Adonis, the team manager and all-around good student, find a connection despite Adonis' reluctance and the vastly different life obstacles they confront. *Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.

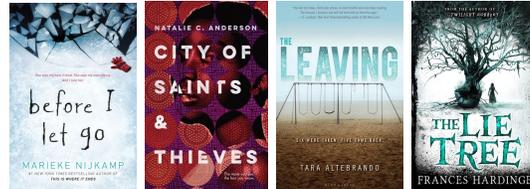
### Fantasy/Science Fiction



<i>Children of Blood and Bone</i>	Adeyemi, Tomi	In an oppressive West African kingdom, Zolie must find and combine three powerful artifacts in order to rekindle magic ability and strike back against the monarchy, before magic is banished forever. *Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.
<i>Dread Nation</i>	Ireland, Justina	The Civil War is over, but mostly because the dead rose at Gettysburg—and then started rising everywhere else. Now the dangerous task of killing these shamblers rests on black people and Native Americans taken from their homes and forced into combat training schools at a young age. *Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.

<i>Marrow Thieves</i>	Dimaline, Cherie	Indigenous peoples in North America are being hunted and harvested for their bone marrow, which carries the key to recovering something the rest of the population has lost: the ability to dream.
<i>Warcross</i>	Lu, Marie	When teenage coder Emika Chen hacks her way into the opening tournament of the Warcross Championships, she glitches herself into the game as well as a sinister plot with major consequences for the entire Warcross empire. *Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.

### Mystery & Suspense



<i>Before I Let Go</i>	Nijkamp, Marieke	Returning to her small Alaska home town after her best friend's death, Corey uncovers chilling secrets about the townspeople and their treatment of Kyra prior to her drowning.
<i>City of Saints &amp; Thieves</i>	Anderson, Natalie	In fictional Sangu City, Kenya, lives 16-year-old Tina, a Congolese refugee. Tina has two purposes in life: take care of her half sister, Kiki, and avenge their mother's death. *Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.
<i>Leaving, The</i>	Altebrando, Tara	Six kindergarteners were taken. Eleven years later, five come back--with no idea of where they've been. No one remembers the sixth victim, Max. Avery, Max's sister, needs to find her brother--dead or alive. *Available in audio through Audible.
<i>Lie Tree, The</i>	Hardinge, Frances	In Victorian Britain, Faith Sunderly investigates the mysterious murder of her father, discovering a tree that feeds that feeds upon lies and gives visions to those who eat its fruit. *Available in audio through Audible.

### Humor



<i>Epic Crush of Genie Lo, The</i>	Yee, F.C.	Genie deals with the supernatural derailing of her college-prep activities in this speculative fiction novel that draws on the folklore of the Chinese Monkey King. *Available in audio through Tales2Go.
<i>Goldfish (Girl out of Water series)</i>	Luurtsema, Nat	Louise Brown dreams of qualifying for the Olympics. Her swimming times are well above her fellow swimmers. And then she fails miserably. Incredibly, a floundering Lou finds herself agreeing to coach three popular boys who are training to compete as synchronized swimmers.
<i>Grendel's Guide to Love and War</i>	Kaplan, A. E.	Tale of a teen misfit who seeks to take down the bro next door, but ends up falling for his enemy's sister and uncovering difficult truths about his family in the process.

*When Dimple Met Rishi* Menon, Sandhya Hilarious and heartfelt novel about Dimple and Rishi, two Indian-American teens whose parents conspire to arrange their marriage. \*Available in audio through DC Public Library's Overdrive.

### Graphic Novels



*American Born Chinese* Yang, Gene Luen Alternates interrelated stories about three characters, including a Chinese American trying to participate in popular culture; a Chinese folk hero attempting to be worshipped as a god; and a teenager who is so ashamed by his Chinese cousin's behavior that he changes schools.

*Best We Could Do, The* Bui, Thi In graphic novel format, Thi Bui describes her family's experiences as they immigrate to the United States from their war-torn home in Vietnam.

*Primates: The Fearless Science of Jane Goodall, Dian Fossey, and Biruté Galdikas* Ottaviani, Jim Nonfiction graphic novel of the three greatest primatologists of the last century and their contributions.

*Spill Zone* Westerfeld, Scott Three years ago an event destroyed the small city of Poughkeepsie, forever changing reality within its borders. Uncanny manifestations and lethal dangers now await anyone who enters the Spill Zone.

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