# 2020 Summer Reading Recommendations

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## Genre

### Realistic/Contemporary Fiction

- For students entering 9th grade: *The Hate U Give* by Angie Thomas
- For students entering 10th Grade: *Patron Saints of Nothing* by Randy Ribay
- For students entering 10th/11th Grade: *We Are Okay* by Nina LaCour
- For students entering 11/12th Grade: *The Swallows* by Lisa Lutz

### Verse Novel

- *Poet X* by Terreece Clarke
- *Solo* by Kwame Alexander
- *Bull* by David Elliott
- *Shout* by Laurie Halse Anderson

### Historical Fiction

- *Dreamland Burning* by Jennifer Latham
- *Green* by Sam Graham-Felsen
- *Thirteen Doorways, Wolves Behind Them All* by Laura Ruby
- The Nickel Boys: a novel by Colson Whitehead

### Science Fiction/ Dystopian/Fantasy

- *Scythe* by Neal Schusterman
- *Pet* by Akwaeke Emez
- *Children of Blood and Bone* by Tomi Adeyemi
- *Middlegame* by Seanan McGuire

### Biography/ Memoir

- *The 57 Bus: A True Story of Two Teenagers and the Crime that Changed Their Lives* by Dashka Slater
- *The Fire Never Goes Out: A Memoir in Pictures* by Noelle Stevenson
- *Die Young with Me: a memoir* by Rob Rufus
- *Gender queer: a memoir* by Maia Kobabe

### Non-Fiction

- *Spooked!: How a Radio Broadcast and the War of the Worlds Sparked the 1938 Invasion of America* by Gail Jarrow
- *Stamped--Racism, Antiracism, and You: A Remix of the National Book Award-winning Stamped from the Beginning* by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi
- 1919 The Year that Changed America by Martin W. Sandler
- *The Dark Fantastic: Race and the Imagination from Harry Potter to the Hunger Games* by Ebony Elizabeth Thomas

### Graphic Novel

- *Hey, Kiddo* by Jarrett J. Krosoczka
- *The Prince and the Dressmaker* by Jen Wang
- *In Waves* by A.J. Dungo
- *They Called Us Enemy* by
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