Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Chattanooga Public Library is proud to present its 2020 List of recommended Summer Reading Picks. Chosen by local expert librarians, these titles are great reads and are highly regarded in the book community, receiving many awards, excellent reviews and popular appeal. We hope that the 2020 List will help your family pick the best books for your child, grades K-12. All of the books on the List are available at your local library. Your local librarian can suggest additional titles.

Reading in the summer helps build on the skills obtained during the school year so that learning continues into the next grade year. We need the support and encouragement of families to ensure that all of our children become excellent readers.

Happy Reading!

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### CLASSICS

**A Wrinkle in Time**
by Madeleine L’Engle
Meg and her friends become involved with unearthly strangers after her father disappears.

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**Anne of Green Gables**
by L.M. Montgomery
An imaginative girl is adopted and grows up on Prince Edward Island.

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**Hatchet**
by Gary Paulsen
After a plane crash, a thirteen-year-old boy survives alone in the wilderness.

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**Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry**
by Mildred Taylor
A family's loyalty to one another helps during the hardships of the Depression.

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**The Hobbit: or, There and Back Again**
by J.R.R. Tolkien
Bilbo Baggins sets off on an adventure with dwarves and a wizard.

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**The Assassination of Brangwain Spurge**
by M.T. Anderson and Eugene Yelchin
Illustrations and text combine for the fabulous journey of an elf into the land of goblins.

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**The Girl Who Drank the Moon**
by Kelly Barnhill
A misunderstood witch cares for a magical girl.

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**Stepsister**
by Jennifer Donnelly
A continuation of the Cinderella story, but through the eyes of one of the step sisters.

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**The Last Last-Day-of-Summer**
by Lamar Giles
Cousins have the gift of ridding their town of troublesome out-of-this world problems.

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**Sal & Gabi Break the Universe**
by Carlos Hernandez
A thirteen-year-old magician can open up holes in the space-time continuum.

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**The Mysterious Benedict Society**
by Trenton Lee Stewart
At a very special school, students are challenged by complex puzzles.

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### HISTORICAL FICTION

**The Line Tender**
by Kate Allen
Lucy and her father navigate as best they can after her mother tragically dies while collecting data on sharks.

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**Refugee**
by Alan Gratz
Three children, each from a different historical time, must leave their homelands to seek shelter in other countries.

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**The Night Diary**
by Veera Hiranandani
In 1947, India splits into two countries and Nisha finds hope by writing letters to her deceased mother.

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**The Parker Inheritance**
by Varian Johnson
Candice finds a letter that reveals a family secret and sets off to solve the connected mystery with the help of a new friend.

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**Ahimsa**
by Supriya Kelkar
In 1942, Anjali and her family stand up to the British government in India by using non-violent resistance.

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**How High the Moon**
by Karyn Parsons
An African American girl leaves South Carolina to visit her mother in Boston and returns with a better understanding of racial injustices.

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**Paperboy**
by Vince Vawter
In 1959 Memphis, a shy boy delivers papers and finds strength to help others.

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Because this list includes books for a range of grades, please be aware that some titles may contain advanced content that might not be appropriate for everyone. If you need help making selections, ask your librarian for guidance.