



Did you know that reading over the summer can improve vocabulary, increase cognitive abilities, and prevent the “summer slide,” where students may have decreased skills? Here is a link to a study from Scholastic that explains the importance of and value of summer reading: [Scholastic Study - Summer Reading](#)

We are encouraging all of our students to read over the summer. It is best to avoid reading classics, as many of these are read and discussed in our ELA classes during the school year. Please see the provided list of current and popular authors. We encourage our families to research these writers and titles to decide what is best for your student. You will also find incentives for summer reading outlined below, as well as information about applying for a NYPL card.

Popular Teen/Young Adult Authors:

Victoria Aveyard
Holly Black
Cassandra Clare
Chloe Gong
Tahereh Mafi
Kerri Maniscalco
Alice Oseman
Christopher Paolini
Rainbow Rowell
J.K. Rowling
Adam Silvera
Angie Thomas
Nicola Yoon

Popular Tween/Middle Grade Authors:

Katherine Applegate
Malorie Blackman
Eoin Colfer
Sharon Creech
Michael Morpurgo
Scott O'Dell
Philip Reeve
Jacqueline Wilson

Bingo Card - Complete for Extra Credit in ELA Class!

Summer Reading Bingo				
Read a Graphic Novel	Read a Non-fiction Book	Read Outside	Read on a Rainy Day	Read with a Pet
Read a Book Based on a Film and then Watch the Film	Read by the Lake or Ocean or Pool	Read a Book to a Younger Person	Read a Book by a Familiar Author	Read a Thriller
Read a Book from BookTok	Read a Book set in Another Country	Free Space - Reader's Choice Free Space	Read an E Book	Read a Book about American History
Read a Book From 3 Years Ago	Read a Best-Seller	Read Under a Tree	Read a Book that Starts with the First Letter of Your Middle Name	Read a Book Set in Space
Read a Book That is Blue	Listen to a Audiobook	Discuss a Book with a Friend	Read a Book from the Library	Read a Book with a Cover You Hate



All students age 13 and up are asked to register for a free library card through the New York Public Library. We have students at SCC who come from all different school districts and have different local public library cards. In order to work together in classes, SCC will be using the NYPL to teach research and accessing proper sources across all disciplines and all grades. Students younger than 13 are ineligible to apply.

Please follow these important steps:

- Go to this website: [NYPL](#)
- At the top of the page, click "Get a Library Card"
- Scroll down to "Get Started"
- Apply for a Library Card by inputting the student's information
- You do not need to sign up for messages from the NYPL if you don't want to
- Alternate Addresses are for PO Boxes
- You will be asked to create a unique username and password
- You do not need to select a Home Library, it will autofill to SimplyElibrary
- Once submitted, you will see a screen with a virtual card - take a picture of this
- Then, please send an email to patronaccounts@nypl.org along with a picture of the student's id or license or permit with the following message:

Please see attached documentation to verify residency for my newly issued library card, barcode #. [input your unique barcode number] Thank you.

- Once this has been done, and your residency has been verified, you will be able to use the NYPL. If you have any trouble with this, we will be happy to help our students accomplish this in the fall; it will just save time if the process can be completed over the summer. Questions? Email: ecrowther@saratogacatholic.org

