

Burbank Unified School District
Elementary Core Literature List

Kindergarten:

The Very Hungry Caterpillar
Brown Bear, Brown Bear
If You Give a Mouse a Cookie
Rosie's Walk
The Little Red Hen

Grade 1:

Angus and the Cat
Corduroy
Frog and Toad
The Story of Ferdinand

Grade 2:

Aesop's Fables
Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good Very Bad Day
Amelia Bedelia
Cam Jensen and the Mystery of the Stolen Diamond
Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs
Crow Boy
Flat Stanley
Louis Braille- The Boy Who Invented Books
Luck Dog Days
Stone Soup
The Case of the Giant Sled Race
Where the Wild Things Are

Grade 3:

Abigail's Drum
Aesop's Fables
Amber Brown is Not a Crayon
Balto and the Great Race
Because of Winn Dixie
Charlotte's Web
Chocolate Fever
Fantastic Mr. Fox
Mr. Popper's Penguins
Owls in the Family
Ramona and Her Father

Sam, Bangs and Moonshine
Stealing Home
Stuart Little
Sylvester and the Magic Pebble
The Mouse and the Motorcycle
West Side Kids- The Big Idea

Grade 4:

A Dog Called Kitty
American Tall Tales
By the Great Horn Spoon
Fourth Grade Rats
Gosh Awful Gold Rush Mystery
James and the Giant Peach
Jose
In the Year of the Boar and Jackie Robinson
Mystery on the California Mission Trail
Out of the Dust
Sarah, Plain and Tall
Shiloh Shoeshine
Girl Sign of the
Beaver Stone Fox

Summer of the Swan
Tale of Desperaux
The Hundred Dresses
The Whipping Boy
Trumpet of the Swan
Walk Two Moons
West Side Kids -The Pet Sitters
Who Stole the Wizard of Oz?

Grade 5:

A Jar of Dreams
A Week in the Woods
Bud, Not Buddy
Daughter of Liberty
Dear Mr. Henshaw
Freedom Crossing
Frindle
From the Mixed Up Files of
Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler
Guns for General Washington
Hatchet

Letters from Rifka
Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH
Number the Stars
Off and Running
On to Oregon
The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe
The Tarantula in my Purse
The Witch of Blackbird Pond
Toliver's Secret
Tuck Everlasting
What's the Big Idea, Ben Franklin?

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Middle School Supplemental Literature Selections
Grades 6-8

6th Grade

Book of Greek Myths *
Boy of the Painted Cave
Bridge to Terabithia
The Cay*
The Egypt Game
Freak the Mighty
From the Mixed Up Files of
 Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler
The Hobbit
The Hole
Homeless Birds
Island of the Blue Dolphins
The Lion, Witch and the Wardrobe
Max the Mighty
Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of Nimh
, My Side of the Mountain
Pictures of Hollis
So B It
There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom
Twelfth Night
The Westing Game
Where the Red Fern Grows
A Wrinkle in Time

7th Grade

As You Like It
Baseball in April
Child of the Owl
A Day No Pigs Would Die
Dragonwings
Esperanza Rising
A Midwife's Apprentice
Much Ado About Nothing
The Pearl*
Red Scarf Girl
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*
Saduku & The Thousand Paper Cranes
Samir and Yonatan
Singleshard
A Step from Heaven

*Required Reading

8th Grade

The Adventures of Tom Sawyer
April Morning
The Call of the Wild
The Diary of Anne Frank*
The Giver*
The Lilies of the Field
The Merchant of Venice
The Miracle Worker
Out of Dust
Parrot in the Oven
Sarah Bishop
Seedfolks
The Taming of the Shrew
Touching Spirit Bear
Treasure Island
Twelve Angry Men

High School Supplemental Literature Selections
Grades 9-12

9th Grade

The Animal Farm*
A Christmas Carol
The Good Earth
Hiroshima
House on Mango Street
Midsummer Night's Dream
The Miracle Worker
The Outsiders
Pigman
Romeo and Juliet*
Shane
The Yearling

10th Grade

All Quiet on the Western Front
Antigone
Bless Me, Ultima
Cyrano de Bergerac*
Great Expectations
Greek Myths
The Iliad
Julius Caesar
Martian Chronicles
Medea
The Moon is Down
Night
The Odyssey
Old Man and the Sea
Our Town
A Separate Peace
A Tale of Two Cities
Things Fall Apart
To Kill A Mockingbird*

11th Grade

Adventures of Huckleberry Finn
As I Lay Dying
Bridge Of San Luis Rey
Catcher in the Rye
The Chosen
The Crucible*
Death of a Salesman
Ethan Fromm
Fahrenheit 451
Farewell to Arms
For Whom the Bell Tolls
The Glass Menagerie
The Grapes of Wrath
The Great Gatsby
Inherit the Wind
The Joy Luck Club
My Antonia
Of Mice and Men*
One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest
Raisin in the Sun
The Red Badge of Courage
The Road
The Scarlett Letter
Selected Hemingway Short Stories
The Sun Also Rises
Their Eyes Were Watching God
For Whom the Bell Tolls
The Awakening

*Required Reading

12th **Grade**

Arms and the Man
Beloved
Beowulf
Brave New World
Canterbury Tales
A Clockwork Orange
Cry the Beloved Country
Gulliver's Travels
Hamlet
Heart of Darkness
Lord of the Flies ♣
Lord Jim
Lost Horizons
MacBeth
Major Barbara
Man and Superman
A Man for All Seasons
Mayor of Casteridge
1984
Oedipus Rex
Othello
Portrait of the Artist As A Young Man
Pride and Prejudice
Pygmalion †
Saint Joan
The Secret Sharer
Tess of the D'Urbervilles
The Stranger
Vanity Fair
Wuthering Heights