



RAPID CITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Middle School Summer Reading Suggestions

***Please note:** The books on this list were selected for their quality of writing and contribute to a solid, general education. Be aware, however, that some were written from a non-Christian perspective.

Alcott, Louisa May – *Little Women*

Armstrong, William Howard - *Sounder*

Avi – *Crispin: The Cross of Lead*

Babbitt, Natalie – *Tuck Everlasting*

Barrie, J.M. – *Peter Pan*

Baum, Frank – *Wizard of Oz*

Blos, Joan – *A Gathering of Days*

Burnett, Frances Hodgson – *The Secret Garden*

Burnford, Sheila – *The Incredible Journey*

Carroll, Lewis – *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*

Cooper, James Fenimore – *The Last of the Mohicans*

Curtis, Christopher Paul – *The Watsons Go to Birmingham-1963*

Crane, Stephen – *The Red Badge of Courage*

De Angeli, Marguerite – *The Door in the Wall*

Defoe, Daniel – *Robinson Crusoe*

Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan – *The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes*

Farley, Walter – *The Black Stallion*

Forbes, Esther – *Johnny Tremain*

George, Jean Craighead - *Julie of the Wolves* and
My Side of the Mountain

Gilbreth, Frank – *Cheaper by the Dozen*

Gipson, Fred – *Old Yeller*

Grahame, Kenneth – *The Wind in the Willows*

Hayner, Linda – *The Foundling*

Henry, Marguerite – *Justin Morgan Had a Horse* and
King of the Wind

Holm, Ann – *North to Freedom*

Hunt, Irene – *Across Five Aprils*, *No Promises in the Wind*, and *In Search of Honor*

Juster, Norton – *Phantom Tollbooth*

Keith, Harold – *Rifles for Watie*

Keller, Helen – *The Story of my Life*

Kipling, Rudyard – *Captains Courageous*

Korman, Gordon – Island Series (3 books):
Shipwreck, *Survival*, *Escape*

L'Engle, Madeline – *A Wrinkle in Time*

Lewis, C.S. – The Narnia Series

London, Jack – *The Call of the Wild*, *White Fang*

Lowry, Lois – *Number the Stars*

Meador, Stephen – *Shadow in the Pines*

Montgomery, L.M. – *Anne of Green Gables* series (8)

Moody, Ralph – *Little Britches: Father and I Were Ranchers*

Morey, Walt – *Gentle Ben*

North, Sterling - *Rascal*

O'Dell, Scott – *Island of the Blue Dolphins,*
The Hawk That Dare Not Hunt By Day
Sing Down the Moon

Paterson, Katherine – *Bridge to Terabithia*

Paulsen, Gary – *Hatchet, The River, Mr. Tucket,*
Brian's Winter, Brian's Return, Brian's Hunt

Peretti, Frank – Cooper Kids Adventure Series, 8
books

Porter, Eleanor – *Pollyanna*

Pyle, Howard – *The Story of King Arthur & His*
Knights

Rasken, Ellen – *The Westing Game*

Rawlings, Marjorie – *The Yearling*

Rawls, Wilson – *Where the Red Fern Grows*

Sewell, Anna – *Black Beauty*

Sower Series Biographies – any of the 26 books
about famous Christian men and women in
history

Speare, Elizabeth – *The Sign of the Beaver, The*
Witch of Blackbird Pond

Sperry, Armstrong – *Call It Courage*

Spyri, Johanna – *Heidi*

Sterling, Dorothy – *Freedom Trail: The Story of*
Harriet Tubman

Stevenson, Robert Lewis – *Kidnapped,*
Treasure Island, The Black Arrow

Sutter, Julie – *Princess Adelina: An Ancient Christian*
Tale of Beauty and Bravery

Taylor, Theodore – *The Cay*

Taylor, Mildred – *Song of the Trees; Roll of Thunder,*
Hear My Cry; Let the Circle Be Unbroken

Tolkien, J.R.R. – *The Hobbit, The Fellowship of the*
Rings, The Two Towers, The Return of the
King

Verne, Jules - *Around the World in 80 Days*

Warren, Andrea – *Orphan Train Rider, Surviving*
Hitler: A Boy in the Nazi Death Camps

Wilder, Laura Ingalls – *Little House on the Prairie*

Wyss, Johann David – *The Swiss Family Robinson*

Biographies / Autobiographies:

Forbes, Esther Hoskins – *America's Paul Revere*

Freedman, Russell – *Eleanor Roosevelt: A Life of*
Discovery

Frank, Anne – *The Diary of Anne Frank*

Glaspey, Terry – *Not a Tame Lion: The Spiritual*
Legacy of C.S. Lewis and the Chronicles of
Narnia

Latham, Jean Lee – *Carry On, Mr. Bowditch*

Tada, Joni Eareckson – *Joni: An Unforgettable Story*

Ten Boom, Corrie – *The Hiding Place*

Washington, Booker T. – *Up from Slavery*

Yates, Elizabeth – *Amos Fortune, Free Man*