

Seventh Grade **SUMMER** READING List

You are required to read two books the summer before your 7th grade year at The Classical Academy

Required Reading- Book 1:

***Roll of Thunder, Hear my Cry*, Mildred Taylor - Penguin Random House 0140384510**

Cassie Logan comes to understand what her father means when he talks of the importance of their family land. After all, black landowners in 1933 Mississippi are far from common. The Logan's story is one of courage and a sure sense of worth and honor in a world of prejudice and its accompanying injustice.

Required Reading- Book 2:

**Choose one book of historical fiction set between 1910 and 1960.
Suggestions include but are not limited to the following:**

Soldier Boys by Dean Hughes (WW II)

Night to Remember by Walter Lord (Titanic)

The Green Glass Sea by Ellen Klages (Manhattan Project)

Fire from the Rock by Sharon Draper (Little Rock Nine)

Al Capone Does My Shirts by Gennifer Choldenko (Alcatraz)

For Freedom : The Story of a French Spy by Kimberly Brubaker Bradley (WW II)

The Eyes of the Emperor by Graham Salisbury (WW II)

New Boy by Julian Houston (Civil Rights)

Waiting for the Rain by Sheila Gordon (Apartheid)

My Brother, My Sister, and I by Yoko Kawashima Watkins (post-WW II Japan)

There will be follow up discussions and writing assignments on these two novels when students return to school in the fall.

