

Union City Public Schools  
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English Titles

Entering Kindergarten

*Read Alouds*

Aliki: *Feelings*

Bang, Molly: *When Sophie Gets Angry – Really, Really Angry*

Carle, Eric: *1, 2, 3 to the Zoo: A Counting Book*

Carle, Eric: *My Very First Book of Growth*

Carle, Eric: *The Very First Book of Numbers*

MacDonald, Suse: *"A" Was Once an Apple Pie*

MacDonald, Suse: *Fish, Swish! Splash! Dash! : Counting Round and Round*

Penn, Audrey: *The Kissing Hand*

Pfister, Marcus: *Rainbow Fish*

Numeroff, Laura Joffe: *If You Take a Mouse to the Movies*

Sierra, Judy: *Wild about Books*

Slate, Joseph: *Miss Bindergarten Gets Ready for Kindergarten*

Sloat, Teri: *From One to One Hundred*

Wick, Walter: *Can you See What I See*

Wood, Audrey: *Alphabet Adventure*

Entering First Grade

*Read Alouds*

Bourgeois, Paulette: *Franklin in the Dark*

Carle, Eric: *The Very First Book of Words*

Carle, Eric: *Dream Snow*

Johnson, Crockett: *Harold and the Purple Crayon*

Kimmell, Eric A.: *The Gingerbread Man*

Nickle, John: *The Ant Bully*

Martin, Bill: *Chicka-Chicka-Boom-Boom*

Lionni, Leo: *Swimmy*

McClosley, Robert: *Blueberries for Sal*

Numeroff, Laura: *If You Take a Mouse to School*

Numeroff, Laura Joffe & Nate Evans: *The Jellybeans and the Big Book Bonaza*

Rathman, Peggy: *Officer Buckle and Gloria*

Roffey, Maureen: *I Spy a Freight Train*

Roffey, Maureen: *I Spy at the Zoo*

Wood, Audrey: *The Napping House*

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**Entering Second Grade**

*Read Alouds*

Allard, Henry & Marshall James: *Miss Nelson is Missing*  
Brett, Jan: *Town Mouse, Country Mouse*  
Carle, Eric: *The Secret Birthday Message*  
Cannon, Janell: *Stellaluna*  
Say, Allen: *Grandfather's Journey*

*Independent Reading*

Barracca, Debra: *The Adventures of Taxi Dog*  
Bryars, Betsy Cromer: *My Brother, Ant*  
Baer, Gene: *Thump, Thump, Rat-A-Tat-Tat*  
Ehlert, Lois: *Feathers for Lunch*  
Knudsen, Michelle: *Library Lion*  
Lionni, Leo: *Little Blue and Little Yellow*  
Marzaollo, Jean: *How Kids Grow*  
Minarik, Else Holmelund: *Little Bear's Friend*  
Siddals, Mary McKenna: *Millions of Snowflakes*  
Silverman, Erica: *Cowgirl Kate and Cocoa*

**Entering Third Grade**

*Independent Reading*

Aliki: *Digging Up Dinosaur*  
Carle, Eric: *Dragons, Dragons, and Other Creatures that Never Were*  
Carle, Eric: *A House for Hermit Crab*  
Cosby, Bill: *The Day I was Rich*  
Giovanni, Nikki: *Hip Hop Speaks to Children*  
Keats, Ezra Jack: *The Trip*  
Keats, Ezra Jack: *Whistle for Willie*  
Marzollo, Jean: *Soccer Cousins*  
McQuinn, Anna: *Lola at the Library*  
Reilly, Patricia Giff: *Sunny-Side Up*

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**Entering Fourth Grade**

*Independent Reading*

Blume, Judy: *Then Again, Maybe I Won't*  
Cleary, Beverly: *The Mouse and the Motorcycle*  
Coville, Bruce: *The World's Worst Fairy Godmother*  
Goldenbock, Peter: *Teammates*  
Hesse, Karen: *The Mistic of Dolphins*  
Lombard, Jenny: *Drita: My Homegirl*  
Medearis, Angela Shelf: *The Spray Paint Mystery*  
Polacco, Paula: *Meteor!*  
Spinelli, Jerry: *Fourth Grade Rats*  
Turner, Pamela S.: *Hachiko: The True Story of a Loyal Dog*

**Entering Fifth Grade**

*Independent Reading*

Alvarez, Julia: *How Tia Lola Came to Visit/Stay*  
Birdsall, Jeanne: *The Penderwicks:*  
Clements, Andrew: *The Report Card*  
Clifford, Eth: *I'm a Prisoner in the Library*  
Creech, Sharon: *Love that Dog*  
DeClements, Barthe: *Nothing's Fair in Fifth Grade*  
Martin: Ann M.: *Eleven Kids, One Summer*  
Paterson: Katherine: *Come Sing, Jimmy Jo*  
Sachs, Marilyn: *JoJo and Winnie: Sister Stories*  
Smith, Robert Kimmel: *Chocolate Fever*

**Entering Sixth Grade**

*Independent Reading*

Dahl, Roald: *The BFG*  
Dahl, Roald: *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*  
Funke, Cornelia Caroline: *Inkspell*  
Lewis, C.S.: *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*  
Lupica, Mike: *Travel Team*  
Norton, Mary: *The Borrowers*

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**Entering Sixth Grade (cont'd)**

Norton, Mary: *The Borrowers Afloat*

Soto, Gary: *Taking Sides*

Spinelli, Jerry: *Stargirl*

Winthrop, Elizabeth: *The Castle in the Attic*

**Entering Seventh & Eighth Grades**

*Independent Reading*

Anderson, Jodi Lynn, *Tiger Lily*

Besel, Jennifer M., *Captivating, Creative, Unusual History of Comic Books*

Fforde, Jasper, *Last Dragonslayer*

Fukuda, Andrew, *Hunt*

Halls, Kelly Milner & Sumner, William, *Saving the Baghdad Zoo: A True Story of Hope and Heroes*

Hartman, Rachel, *Seraphina*

Janeczko, Paul B., *Dark Game: True Spy Stories from the Revolution to the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*

Kagawa, Julie, *Immortal Rules*

McDonald, Ian, *Planesrunner*

Schlosser, Eric, *Chew on This: Everything You Don't Want to Know about Fast Food*

Volponi, Paul, *Final Four*

**Favorite Series - Grades K - 2**

*Biscuit*

*Fancy Nancy*

*Franklin*

*Nate the Great*

*Junie B. Jones*

**Favorite Series - Grades 3 & 4**

*Bones*

*Captain Underpants*

*Geronimo Stilton*

*Judy Moody*

*Secrets of Droon*

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**Favorite Series - Grades 5 & 6**

*Anatasia*

*Diary of a Wimpy Kid*

*Goosebumps*

*Harry Potter*

*Nancy Drew*

**Favorite Series - Grades 7 & 8**

The Chronicle of Vladimir

Harry Potter

The Hunger Games

Middle School Series

Percy Jackson and the Olympians

