



Dear Soon-to-Be-Fifth-Grade Families,

Happy end of the year! We would like to share with you the recommended reading for our first module in 5th grade: Stories of Human Rights. This module delves into the rights everyone on the globe is entitled to and what lengths people have gone to in order to secure those rights. It's a fascinating topic for fifth graders as they begin to explore ideas of justice and equality in our society.

Over the summer, we encourage your child to read one or two of the books on the list. Students may choose to explore one of the topics more in depth and create a short presentation for their CREW in the fall. There are so many opportunities for enrichment with this unit that you can explore from your own home: from exploring the area's African American history at the website for the [Banneker Douglass Museum](#) in Annapolis to exploring exhibits on the [Civil Rights Movement](#). We encourage you to start conversations on the topics explored in the books attached. Your child's experience at the start of next year will only be enhanced.

A great place to access free books and resources this summer is the Anne Arundel County Public Library. Students in our county have free access to library resources, including E-books, videos, curbside pick up of books and more. You can access Anne Arundel County Public Library [HERE](#).

Thank you for your support as your students become the leaders of our elementary school. We look forward to working with you next year and learning about the amazing humans your children are!

Summer Reading Book List for 5th Grade

A Hare in the Elephant's Trunk Coates, Jan L.

A Long Walk to Water: Based on a True Story Park, Linda Sue

Arcady's Goal Yelchin, Eugene

Boys without Names Sheth, Kashmiri

Caminar Brown, Skila

Child Soldier: When Boys and Girls Are Used in War Chikwanine, Michel and Jessica Dee Humphreys

Every Last Drop: Bringing Clean Water Home Mulder, Michelle

Heart and Soul: The Story of America and African Americans Nelson, Kadir

How I Became a Ghost: A Choctaw Trail of Tears story Tingle, Tim

I Have a Right to be a Child Serres, Alain

Iqbal D'Adamo, Francesco

Let Me Play: The Story of Title IX: The Law That Changed The Future of Girls in America Blumenthal, Karen

Marching for Freedom: Walk Together, Children, and Don't You Grow Weary Partridge, Elizabeth

Night On Fire Kidd, Ronald

No Ordinary Day Ellis, Deborah

Not a Drop to Drink: Water for a Thirsty World Burgan, Michael

Planting the Trees of Kenya: The Story of Wangari Maathai Nivola, Claire

Revolution (The Sixties Trilogy) Wiles, Deborah

Ruth and the Green Book Ramsey, Calvin A.

Separate Is Never Equal: Sylvia Mendez and Her Family's Fight for Desegregation Tonatiuh, Duncan

Sylvia & Aki Conkling, Winifred

The Lions of Little Rock Levine, Kristin

Turning 15 on the Road to Freedom: My Story of the Selma Voting Rights March Lowry, Linda Blackmon and Elspeth Leacock and Susan Buckley

We've Got a Job: The 1963 Birmingham Children's March Levinson, Cynthia

Weedflower Kadohata, Cynthia

When My Name Was Keoko Park, Linda Sue

Fannie Never Flinched: One Woman's Courage in the Struggle for American Labor Union Rights Farrell, Mary Cronk

Fatty Legs: A True Story Jordan-Fenton, Christy & Margaret Pokiak-Fenton

Fighting for Justice: Fred Korematsu Speaks Up Atkins, Laura & Stan Yogi

Hidden Figures Young Readers Edition Shetterly, Margot Lee

I Am Malala: How One Girl Stood Up for Education and Changed the World (Young Readers Edition) Yousafzai, Malala with Patricia McCormick

I Am Not a Number Dupuis, Jenny Kay & Kathy Kacer

My Brigadista Year Paterson, Katherine

Paper Wishes Sepahban, Lois

Refugee Gratz, Alan

Return to Sender Alvarez, Julia

Sachiko: A Nagasaki Bomb Survivor's Story Stelson, Caren

Stella by Starlight Draper, Sharon

Uprooted: The Japanese American Experience During World War II Marrin, Albert

We Will Not Be Silent: The White Rose Student Resistance Movement That Defied Adolf Hitler Freedman, Russell