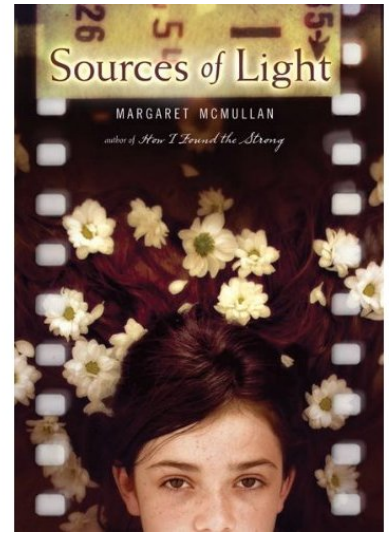


RISING 7TH SUMMER READING SELECTIONS

Sources of Light by Margaret McMullan

Assignment: In *Sources of Light*, Sam is a burgeoning photographer and is given some interesting advice from Perry, an expert. He says for her to take pictures of “anything you would paint. Anything you look at or wonder about or want to know more about.” What I would like is for you to do just that. I would like for you to take three photos and arrange them **in a creative fashion** on a small or large posterboard. I would like for you to pick one to write about. What should you write about it? See below:



- Why you took it
- Where you took it (physical and emotional/psychological circumstances)
- What type of camera you used (iPhone? Fancy Nikon? Polaroid?)
- Describe the composition (How is it composed? Horizontal? Vertical? Foreground? Background? Color? Tones? Focus?)
- Describe all objects/items in the photograph
- Discuss its message (What is it telling you? What is it telling us?)



Stargirl by Jerry Spinelli

Overview from www.barnesandnoble.com

Stargirl. From the day she arrives at quiet Mica High in a burst of color and sound, the hallways hum with the murmur of “Stargirl, Stargirl.” She captures Leo Borlock’s heart with just one smile. She sparks a school-spirit revolution with just one cheer. The students of Mica High are enchanted. At first.

Then they turn on her. Stargirl is suddenly shunned for everything that makes her different, and Leo, panicked and desperate with love, urges her to become the very thing that can destroy her: normal. In this celebration of nonconformity, Newbery Medalist Jerry Spinelli weaves a tense, emotional tale about the perils of popularity and the thrill and inspiration of first love.

In this story about the perils of popularity, the courage of nonconformity, and the thrill of first love, an eccentric student named Stargirl changes Mica High School forever.

While I have only assigned two novels, summer is a perfect time to read, keeping your brain busy as you enjoy a break. If you have any questions about summer reading, please do not hesitate to email me at teresa.strait@sdsgriffin.org. I would love to recommend additional books for your reading pleasure!

