

Summer Reading



All incoming Tantasqua Junior High students have been assigned one discussion book for this summer. Details are below:

7th grade: *Becoming Naomi León*, by Pam Muñoz Ryan.

This is the story of a young girl named Naomi Soledad Leon Outlaw, who has had a lot to contend with in her young life; her name for one. Then there are her clothes (sewn in polyester by her Gram), her difficulty speaking up, and her status at school as "nobody special." Through the novel, she is able to discover out who she really is, and learns to speak up for herself.

8th grade: *Life as We Knew It*, by Susan Beth Pfeffer.

It is about a high school sophomore who realizes that life has changed forever. An asteroid knocks the moon closer to Earth, like "one marble hits another." As August turns dark and wintery in northeastern Pennsylvania, Miranda, her two brothers, and their mother learn how to survive the struggles that unfold, trying to hold on to any hope that is left.

After Labor Day, you will take a brief reading comprehension quiz on the novel. Please make sure you are familiar with the plot of novel. Feel free to use sticky notes or an organizer to help you better recall the important details about the novel.

We hope you enjoy the book, and read many others over the summer too!
If you need more information, The Summer Reading link can be found under the *Students* tab, on the TJHS website.

We look forward to seeing you on August 28.