

St. Francis of Assisi School
Eighth Grade Summer Reading List

The eighth graders are required to read the following novel over the summer:
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred Taylor.

This novel can be found in the library, at a bookstore, or online in paperback form. It will tie into themes examined in literature, social studies and religion in eighth grade.

About a week after the school year begins in August, the eighth graders will be given an essay test about this novel. The grade will be counted as a language arts grade for the first quarter report card. We will spend part of the first week reviewing for the test.

It is suggested that parents read the novel as well, in order to answer any questions the children may have about the subject matter.

In addition, please encourage the students to read as much as possible over the summer in order to reinforce skills learned in seventh grade. Material that challenges them is highly recommended and should be alternated with lighter reading fare.