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The purpose of these reading lists is to encourage students to read independently for pleasure, and to read books that are on or above their reading level to improve their reading fluency during the summer.

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NASA Unveils Publicly Searchable Video, Audio and Imagery Library

NASA.gov officially launched a new resource to help the public search and download out-of-this-world images, videos and audio files. Users can browse newest and most popular uploads, or search by keywords. The [NASA Image and Video Library](#) features a treasure trove of more than 140,000 files from NASA's many missions.

Webinars

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06/22/17



10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Eastern

**June 2017
Celebration
Weeks and
Promotional
Events**

The links below will show you how to bring these promotions to your library. Don't forget to share your activities with others.

[National Dairy Month](#)

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"Libraries Rock!"

Do you have a song or activity that you like? Enjoy presenting? Make a short video of a musical activity for us to use as part of FLYP 2018. Send your video to Jana Fine at jana.fine@dos.myflorida.com. For more information, send Jana an email or call her at 850.245.6629.

Gen2Gen Summer Challenge



The [Gen2Gen Summer Challenge](#) is a national effort to inspire adults over 50 to make a positive difference in the lives of children and youth over the summer by volunteering. To learn more about Gen2Gen Summer Challenge, contact Phyllis Segal at psegal@encore.org.

Book Reviewers Needed



I'm looking for folks willing to write a paragraph or two in exchange for free youth or YA books. If you're interested, please contact me at jana.fine@dos.myflorida.com.

Manga Café by Shannon Schreur-Klein

Adachitoka. *Noragami: Stray God*. New York: Kodansha Comics. 2014-.

Yato is a "stray god" with zero followers and no shrine. Determined to rise through the ranks and become the most powerful god in Japan, Yato advertises his services to mortals. Need to find your lost cat? Deal with a bully? Yato is your god! However, due to Yato's ill manners and needy nature, this minor god of calamity is unable to keep friends or even a shinki*.



Everything changes when Iki Hyori, a human girl, spots Yato crossing the street - right in front of an oncoming bus. She pushes him out of the way and gets hit, knocking her spirit out of her body. Even after recovering, her soul keeps leaving her body, and now she can see the supernatural realm. Desperate, Hyori turns to Yato for assistance, but finds herself helping him instead, curbing the worst of his behavior. The two team up with a new shinki to rid the world of evil spirits and complete Yato's dream of becoming the number one god.

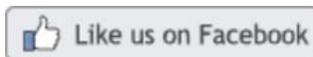
Noragami has excellent pacing, great action scenes, humor, distinct characters and an increasingly complex plot to keep readers invested in the story. Teens will root for the brave, smart and sometimes scary Hyori as she lectures Yato and fights evil spirits. The artwork is very detailed and excellent at conveying humor. The series is appropriate for ages 13 and up, as it contains some cursing, mild fanservice and

violence. It also deals with heavy themes like bullying and suicide. Recommended for all libraries serving teens.

*Shinki are departed human souls that become assistants to a god, acting as weapons, protection and companions. In exchange for their service, gods provide for the needs of their shinki.

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C U on Social Media



Book Reviews From the Field

Strickland, Adrienne, and Michael Miller. *Shadow Run*. New York: Delacorte Press. 2017.



Captain Qole isn't your average 17 year-old. She pilots her spaceship, the Kaitan, and fishes for Shadow, a dangerous interstellar element used for energy production. Qole not only sells the captured Shadow, she has a rare affinity that allows her to draw strength from it. Nev, a handsome young man, joins the crew of the Kaitan with a secret - he is Prince Nevarian Dracorte. His royal family seeks Qole's help to understand and harness the power of Shadow.

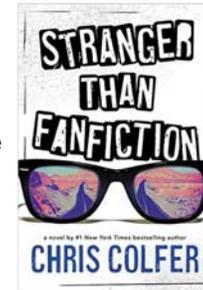
Qole is forced to find sanctuary with the Dracortes when rival nobles reveal nefarious intentions of harming her to unlock her abilities. Though suspicious of the Dracortes family as a whole, Qole finds herself falling for honest and caring Nev. Nev reciprocates her feelings despite his betrothal to a beautiful but cold princess. When Qole goes missing during a royal ball, Nev must face a hidden darkness within his family and choose between his feelings for Qole and the tradition that he is bound to as a prince.

Filled with advanced technology and action, *Shadow Run* is sure to hook young adults. Co-authors Adrienne Strickland and Michael Miller have crafted a tale that is one part fairy tale and two parts sci-fi. This book is ideal for teens who like futuristic plot lines with a bit of romance. Readers who enjoyed Marissa Meyer's *Lunar Chronicles* will feel right at home in Qole and Nev's universe.

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Colfer, Chris. *Stranger than Fanfiction*. New York: Little, Brown and Company. 2017.

Stranger Than Fanfiction is the newest book from "Glee" star Chris Colfer. It's the story of four teenage friends, newly graduated from high school, who set out on a once-in-a-lifetime road trip.

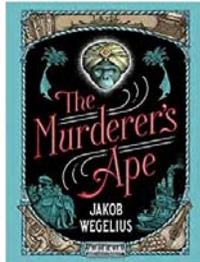


These very different teens initially became friends through their shared obsession with Cash Carter and his TV show. On a whim, one of them invites Cash to join their trip, and he does. But the road trip turns out to be far more than they ever imagined. Each person carries a secret, some big and some small, that hinder them from living as their true selves. The group has some crazy adventures (and a few fights) along the way, which teach them how to be honest with themselves and the people they care about.

The book deals with sensitive and timely topics, such as transgender identity and sexuality. There are also scenes of alcohol and drug use.

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Wegelius, Jakob. *The Murderer's Ape*. New York: Delacorte Press. 2017.



Sally Jones is an excellent mechanical engineer who can mind a ship's engine, mend an overheated radiator, or repair an airplane. She's also a skilled navigator, whether aside an airplane pilot or a sea captain. She's an ace at building and repairing sophisticated musical instruments. And to top it all, she's a talented detective and chess player. Most importantly, she's an amazingly devoted and loyal friend who doesn't hesitate to step into danger to help a friend in trouble.

So, who is this unreal girl? Well, she's not human but an anthropoid ape, or as some people refer to her in the story, a gorilla. Though Sally Jones cannot talk, she can read and write. The book's narrator, Sally typed her story on an old typewriter given to her by her friend.

This detective mystery entails love and friendship, music and murder, loyalty and betrayal. Jump aboard with Sally Jones as she travels around the world trying to get her friend out of prison. Meet wonderful people who value Sally Jones as the truly beautiful, talented being that she is, refusing to see her as "just a gorilla."

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Heldring, Thatcher. *The Football Girl*. Delacorte Press. 2017.

Tessa and her friends, excited about beginning high school, practice to be on the cross-country team. Tessa also enjoys playing flag football with the neighborhood boys so much that she's considering trying out for the high school football team.



Thatcher Heldring's *The Football Girl* will be a hit with early teens. Girls will support Tessa's desire to make inroads into the typically male game of football, while boys may have to question their ideas of what should and should not be. Learning to be heard, decision-making and delving into first relationships are critical elements in this story told by alternating characters, Tessa and Caleb. The only downside of Tessa's summer is that her self-involved parents don't seem to notice her existence.

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Simukka, Sala. *As Red As Blood*. New York: Crown Books for Young Readers. 2017.



17 year-old Lumikki lives independently in Tampere, Finland. She awakens on Leap Day, expecting it to be like any other. But it isn't. She stumbles upon bloodied money hanging up to dry in her school's dark room. When the bills disappear, Lumikki's curiosity spurs her into action. Who has the money? And how did they get it? While unearthing the answers to these questions, she gets irretrievably caught up in her classmates' trouble - trouble that sends her running for her life.

Simukka's book, the first of a trilogy, is an adrenaline rush. Impatient readers should enjoy the pacing, which hurtles from scene to scene. The conscious effort to compare *As Red as Blood* to the Grimm stories is a tactic that should appeal to fans of fairy tales. The novel does, however, suffer from one glaring flaw: Lumikki adamantly states (on more than one occasion) that she has no interest in meddling in others' affairs. So why does she get involved with her classmates in the first place? Readers willing to overlook this weakness will discover an intriguing protagonist in Lumikki, an empathetic girl whose history is as dark and mysterious as the plot she's embroiled in.

The novel serves up a satisfying conclusion and can be read as a standalone. Readers invested in Lumikki, however, will eagerly look for

the next book in the series. The novel contains violence as well as references to drug use and sexual situations. Recommended for readers aged 15 and older.

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Florida Library Youth Program

FLYP Forward provides information about the Florida Library Youth Program and Florida's public libraries.

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