Dear Eighth Grade Students and Parents,

Welcome to Eighth Grade English! This summer you will be required to read three books to fulfill your summer reading requirement. All books must be read by Thursday, August 15th, and both students and parents must sign the 2019 Summer Reading Program Contract to pledge completion of all three books.

1. Purchase and read the following book for your required English selection:  
   *Students must have a physical copy of the paperback in order to provide page numbers for required citations.*

2. Read one student-selected, parent-approved fiction book. Fiction writing is created from an author’s imagination; fiction is not true even though it may contain real people, places or events.


   Recommendation lists of fiction and nonfiction books are provided by the library, but you are not required to select from these lists. The recommendations are available on Wesleyan’s website at [www.wesleyanschool.org/mssummerreading](http://www.wesleyanschool.org/mssummerreading).


5. Complete the attached contract indicating that you completed all three books as assigned and completed the assignment without unauthorized assistance. **Both student and parent must sign the contract.** By signing the contract, parents are approving their child’s selection for the books of choice.

6. **Turn in the completed 2019 Summer Reading Program Contract and the completed assignment on Thursday, August 15, 2019.** There will be a reduction in the grade for each day the assignment is late.

Students, you will complete an in-class assessment related to the required English book, *Unbroken*, during the first week of school; therefore, we suggest that you wait until closer to the start of school to read and complete the assignment for this book. **Read the summer reading assignment directions before starting to read Unbroken.**

If you have questions, you may contact Jane Leake at jleake@wesleyanschool.org or Ashley Kuehne at akuehne@wesleyanschool.org. Have a safe and happy summer, and enjoy your summer reading!

Sincerely,

8th Grade English Teachers