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Dear Parents & Guardians,

The Dunellen Public School Summer Reading Program requires that students must complete one student choice novel from the enclosed list. Students are required to read one fiction book.

The Dunellen Library should have available copies of each novel to check out. While reading, students will use the graphic organizer to take notes of the characters' traits throughout the novel. **On the first full day of school, students will bring their notes and should be prepared to complete an in-class assignment illustrating their understanding of the summer novel.**

An in-class google slides project will be completed during the first week and a half of school using the note taking chart. If students don't complete summer reading, they will start at a 75% and be given an alternative assignment that focuses on the same concepts.

We hope that through our summer reading program, students will grow in their enjoyment of reading and will apply their analytic literary skills.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me at 732-400-5900 ext.4300. Thank you for your assistance in our partnership to educate the students of Dunellen.

Yours truly,



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Note Taking Chart

Complete the table below. As you read, record **5** main and secondary characters names as well as a trait that they possess. Use evidence to support or prove that the character has this trait. Be prepared to explain both the character traits and evidence through an **in-class project** upon returning to school in September.

Character	Trait	Evidence with page numbers

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Incoming 7th Grade: (Choose ONE book from list below)

FICTION

Tangerine (copies available)-

Edward Bloor

Though legally blind, Paul Fisher can see what others cannot. He can see that his parents' constant praise of his brother, Erik, the football star, is to cover up something that is terribly wrong. But no one listens to Paul--until his family moves to Tangerine. In this Florida town, weird is normal: Lightning strikes at the same time every day, a sinkhole swallows a local school, and Paul the geek finds himself adopted into the toughest group around--the soccer team at his middle school.

Maybe this new start in Tangerine will help Paul finally see the truth about his past--and will give him the courage to face up to his terrifying older brother.

Wintergirls –

Anderson, Laurie Halse

Eighteen-year-old Lia comes to terms with her best friend's death from anorexia as she struggles with the same disorder.

Ender's Game [first book of a popular series] –

Card, Orson

ALA Notable Children's Books 1995

Young Ender Wiggin may prove to be the military genius Earth needs to fight a desperate battle against a deadly alien race that will determine the future of the human race.

Savvy –

Law, Ingrid

ALA Notable Children's Books 2009

Newbery Honor 2009

Recounts the adventures of Mibs Beaumont, whose thirteenth birthday has revealed her "savvy"--a magical power unique to each member of her family--just as her father is injured in a terrible accident.