**INCOMING FRESHMEN**
**SUMMER READING 2017**

*City of Saints and Thieves* by Natalie C. Anderson (mystery)
Sixteen-year-old Tina and two friends leave Kenya and slip into the Congo, from where she and her mother fled years before, seeking revenge for her mother's murder but uncovering startling secrets.

*Feed* by M.T. Anderson (dystopian, science fiction, humor)
In a future where most people have computer implants in their heads to control their environment, a boy meets an unusual girl who is in serious trouble.

*Mini Weapons of Mass Destruction* series by John Austin (nonfiction)
This humorous MacGyver-inspired tactical guide illustrates the full potential of everyday items and their potential to be transformed into a mini arsenal. Learn to build Shoelace Darts, a Clothespin Catapult, Penny Bombs, Airsoft Pen Poppers, Ping Pong Zookas, and more inexpensive Mini Weapons of Mass Destruction.

*The Nazi Hunters: How a Team of Spies and Survivors Captured the World’s Most Notorious Nazi* by Neal Bascomb (nonfiction, history)
Recounts how, sixteen years after the end of World War II, a team of undercover Israeli agents captured the Nazi war criminal, Adolf Eichmann, in a remote area of Argentina and brought him to trial in Israel for crimes committed during the Holocaust.

*Anya’s Ghost* by Vera Brosgol (graphic novel, horror)
Anya, embarrassed by her Russian immigrant family and self-conscious about her body, has given up on fitting in at school but falling down a well and making friends with the ghost there just may be worse.
**To Stay Alive** by Skila Brown (historical fiction, verse)
A young survivor of the infamous and tragic Donner Party of 1846 describes how her family and others became victims of freezing temperatures and starvation.

**The Reader** by Traci Chee (fantasy)
Set in a world where reading is unheard-of, Sefia makes use of a mysterious object to track down who kidnapped her aunt Nin and what really happened the night her father was murdered.

**The Rig** by Joe Ducie (action, science fiction)
Fifteen-year-old Will Drake has made a career of breaking out from high-security prisons. His talents have landed him at the Rig, a specialist juvenile holding facility in the middle of the Arctic Ocean. No one can escape from the Rig. No one except for Drake.

**The Family Romanov: Murder, Rebellion, and the Fall of Imperial Russia** by Candace Fleming (nonfiction, history)
When Russia's last tsar, Nicholas II, inherited the throne in 1894, he was unprepared to do so. With their four daughters (including Anastasia) and only son, a hemophiliac, Nicholas and his reclusive wife, Alexandra, buried their heads in the sand, living a life of opulence as World War I raged outside their door and political unrest grew. Here is the riveting story of the Russian Revolution as it unfolded.

**Being Jazz: My Life as a (Transgender) Teen** by Jazz Jennings (memoir)
Teen activist and trailblazer Jazz Jennings--named one of "The 25 most influential teens" of the year by Time--shares her very public transgender journey, as she inspires people to accept the differences in others while they embrace their own truths.

**The Chronicles of Nick: Infinity** by Sherrilyn Kenyon (fantasy, horror)
Fourteen-year-old sarcastic, street-savvy Nick is drawn into the world of the Dark-Hunters, but must hide his participation in the battle against werewolves, vampires, and zombies from his mother and high school principal.
**Illuminae** by Amie Kaufman and Jay Kristoff (science fiction, action)
The planet Kerenza is attacked, and Kady and Ezra find themselves on a space fleet fleeing the enemy, while their ship's artificial intelligence system and a deadly plague may be the end of them all.

**A Taste for Monsters** by Matthew Kirby (horror, historical fiction)
In 1888 seventeen-year-old Evelyn Fallow, herself disfigured by the phosphorus in the match factory where she worked, has been hired as a maid to Joseph Merrick, the Elephant Man--but when the Jack the Ripper murders begin she and Merrick find themselves haunted by the ghosts of the slain women.

**Every Falling Star** by Sungju Lee (nonfiction, memoir)
The intense memoir of a North Korean boy named Sungju who is forced at age twelve to live on the streets and fend for himself. To survive, Sungju creates a gang and lives by thieving, fighting, begging, and stealing rides on cargo trains. Sungju richly re-creates his story about life in a country where freedoms Americans take for granted do not exist.

**We Were Liars** by E. Lockhart (suspense)
Spending the summers on her family's private island off the coast of Massachusetts with her cousins and a boy named Gat, teenaged Cadence struggles to remember what happened during her fifteenth summer.

**Shadowshaper** by Daniel José Older (urban fantasy)
When the murals painted on the walls of her Brooklyn neighborhood start to change and fade in front of her, Sierra Santiago realizes that something strange is going on. Then she discovers her Puerto Rican family are shadowshapers and finds herself in a battle with an evil anthropologist for the lives of her family and friends.

**All American Boys** by Jason Reynolds (realistic fiction)
When sixteen-year-old Rashad is mistakenly accused of stealing, classmate Quinn witnesses his brutal beating at the hands of a police officer who happens to be the older brother of his best friend. Told through Rashad and Quinn's alternating viewpoints.
What My Mother Doesn’t Know by Sonya Sones (realistic, verse)
Sophie describes her relationships with a series of boys as she searches for Mr. Right.

Falling Over Sideways by Jordan Sonnenblick (realistic)
Life is tough for eighth-grader Claire. Her dance friends have moved up a level without her, nobody listens to her at home, the mean girls at school are living up to their mean name, and there’s a boy, Ryder, who’s just as bad. Then, suddenly, while her dad is talking to her at the kitchen table, he falls over with a stroke. All Claire’s old problems seem small as she must learn to cope with her dad’s helpless and often embarrassing condition.

The Sun is Also a Star by Nicola Yoon (realistic, romance)
Natasha is a girl who believes in science and facts. Daniel has always been a good son and good student. But when he sees Natasha he forgets all that and believes there is something extraordinary in store for both of them.

Geneva Public Library Summer Reading Program 2017

ADVENTURE by DESIGN
May 24-August 2

Reach your reading goals to earn prizes!

Incoming 7th and 8th graders: Sign up downstairs in the Youth Services department.
Incoming freshmen: Sign up upstairs in the Information and Reader Services department.

Middle and high school Summer Reading participants are invited to attend the Color Tag party on August 2 at the Library’s property located at 210 S. Sixth Street. Students entering grades 6-8 will play at 2 p.m., and students entering grades 9-12 will play at 3 p.m.