

## Dorchester Two's GATE Summer Reading List Summer 2019

Reading is an essential skill for all academic work, and the more students read, the better readers they become! Wide recreational reading can extend vocabulary, increase comprehension, and stimulate higher order thinking. We want the best learning experiences for our children in Dorchester Two!

Every student participating in Dorchester Two's Gifted & Talented Education (GATE) program has been asked to read the following novels this summer:

- Rising 4<sup>th</sup> grade GATE students – Choice of one of the following:
  - The Sign of the Beaver by Elizabeth George Speare
  - Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell
  - Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid Banks
  - Sacajawea by Judith St. George
- Rising 5<sup>th</sup> grade GATE students – Choice of one of the following:
  - Out of My Mind by Sharon M. Draper
  - Restart by Gordon Korman
  - Book Scavenger by Jennifer Chambliss Bertman
- Rising 6<sup>th</sup> grade GATE students – The False Prince by Jennifer A. Nielsen
- Rising 7<sup>th</sup> grade GATE students – The Giver by Lois Lowry
- Rising 8<sup>th</sup> grade Advanced/GATE Literature Composition students AND Rising 8<sup>th</sup> grade English I Honors students
  - The Last Book in the Universe by Rodman Philbrick

These novels are aligned with the concepts and themes addressed throughout the year in the GATE ELA classes; therefore students will have multiple opportunities to showcase and connect their new learning with their already present knowledge.

Thank you for your assistance in providing books for our students and assisting us in encouraging a life-long love of reading! Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Anita Collier at 843-821-3960. Have a great summer!