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Dear Eighth Grade,

With almost three months of vacation ahead of us, I hope you will find time to do some reading...At the end of this letter is a list of suggested titles for your consideration. Each of them is related in some way to the work we will be doing in eighth grade, so feel free to pick and choose, but read, and read a lot! I don't want you to get rusty over the summer, since we will be reading a great deal next year.

In addition to the following titles, and these are only suggestions, consider the reading practice that *The New York Times* or *The New Yorker* provides. Try to read very day. I am aiming for a book a week, and I hope you do too!

Happy Reading!

Nancy Henderson

Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry

Mildred Taylor

Witness

Karen Hesse

Fallen Angels

Walter Dean Myers

I Hadn't Meant to Tell You This

Jacqueline Woodson

The River Between Us

Richard Peck

*Blood Done Sign My Name;
A True Story*

Timothy B. Tyson