John Jay Middle School Reading Requirements:

Rising 6th to 8th grade students are required to read at least **ONE** book from the list below.

Each book offers a different perspective on the theme of self-discovery, and we encourage students to choose the one that interests them the most. Students should be ready to discuss their book and participate in activities in their ELA classes when they return in September. Students must be finished with the book(s) by Friday, September 5, 2025.

Books:

- Moon over Manifest by Clare Vanderpool
- Kareem Between by Shifta Saltagi Safadi (verse)
- The Serpent's Secret by Sayantani DasGupta
- Mid-Air by Alicia D. Williams (verse)
- Legend by Marie Lu

All the titles on this list are available in the JJMS collection (Sora) or the Westchester Library System (WLS) eBook collection. Many of them are also available as audiobooks.