## **Entering 4<sup>th</sup> grade**

## REQUIRED READING: BECAUSE OF WINN-DIXIE BY: KATE DICAMILLO

All students entering 4<sup>th</sup> grade are required to read <u>Because of Winn-Dixie</u> and complete the following short answer questions on a separate sheet of paper. All answers should be written in complete sentences and provide enough information to completely answer the question. In addition, all students must choose one book from the following list and complete the book report that follows. Both assignments are due in class on the first day of school.

Title	Author
The Mouse and the Motorcycle Series	Clearly
Chocolate Fever	Kimmel
Freckle Juice	Blume
Hardy Boys Series	Dixon
Thunder From the Sea	Harlow
The Year of Miss Agnes	Kirkpatrick
Igraine the Brave	Funke
By the Shores of Silver Lake	Wilder
Owls in the Family	Mowat
Mr. Popper's Penguins	Atwaters
Milly Molly Mandy	Brisley
Henry Huggins Books	Cleary
Hank the Cowdog Series	Erickson
Pippi Longstocking Stories	Lindgren
Rascal	North
The Castle in the Attic	Winthrop
The Trumpet of the Swan	E.B. White
Trailblazer Books	Dave and Neta Jackson
Five Children and It	Edith Nesbit
Doctor Doolittle Series	Hugh Lofting
Heidi	Hohanns Spyri
Stuart Little	E.B. White
American Girl Doll Books	American Girl Collection
Boxcar Children Series	Warner
Encyclopedia Brown Series	Sobol
Socks	Cleary
The Black Stallion	Farley
Ramona Series	Cleary

## **Book Report**

Name:
Title:
Author:
Describe where and when the story takes place
Write a summary of the plot.

scribe your favorite character in the book. Tell why you like this character.	
w a colorful picture of an important event in the book. Write a caption be	low.

## **Because of Winn-Dixie**

Please write the following questions on a separate sheet of paper and answer each one. Make sure you write your answers in complete sentences and write enough information to answer the question completely.

- 1. Opal opens up to Winn-Dixie in the beginning of the story. Why do you think it's sometimes easier to talk to or be friends with a pet than with people?
- 2. What decisions does Opal make in this story that end up changing her life?
- 3. What made you laugh in this book? Why?
- 4. Do you think you would like to eat a Littmus Lozenge? Why or why not?
- 5. What do you think Opal and her dad, the preacher, get from having Winn-Dixie?
- 6. In what ways is Opal's mother a very important character in the book even though she never appears?