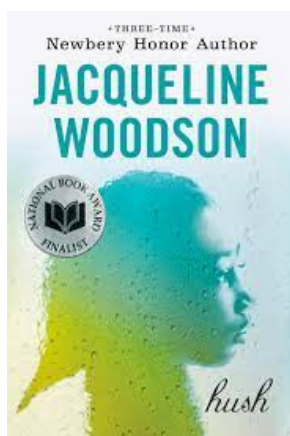


# Summer Reading, 2023 - 2024 – Rising 7th Graders



Rising 7th grader,

We are excited to have you in class next school year! Please read the following directions and complete the Summer Reading requirements to ensure that you will be prepared for next school year:

1. All rising 7th graders will read the novel, *Hush* by Jacqueline Woodson (as seen above). In addition to being written by an award winning author, *Hush* is a novel embedded in our district approved curriculum. This novel should be read over the summer. Students **MUST** be finished reading *Hush* by September 1st, 2023. On this date, we will take a comprehension test over the book **FOR A GRADE**. You must be finished reading *Hush* to have success.
2. In addition to a comprehension test, students **MUST** complete a book review (found on the back of this sheet). This book review **WILL** be taken for a grade as well. It will be due September 1st.

Note: *Hush* may be purchased at Amazon, Barnes and Noble, or any book retailer. Additionally, students may borrow the book from a public library.

## **\*\*Preview of *Hush* by Jacqueline Woodson:**

Evie Thomas is not who she used to be. Once she had a best friend, a happy home and a loving grandmother living nearby. Once her name was Toswiah.

Now, everything is different. Her family has been forced to move to a new place and change their identities. But that's not all that has changed. Her once lively father has become depressed and quiet. Her mother leaves teaching behind and clings to a new-found religion. Her only sister is making secret plans to leave.

And Evie, struggling to find her way in a new city where kids aren't friendly and the terrain is as unfamiliar as her name, wonders who she is.