**Semester Book Report: Book Gallery**

Every student at NSAA needs to be reading independently in order to practice and improve reading comprehension and vocabulary development. This semester, I am asking all of my students to create a reading community where we can share our favorite reads with each other in the hope that we can make new literary discoveries. In order to complete your independent reading requirement for the first semester, you will be “pitching” a book to your class that you would recommend to your peers. Additionally, all students will be participating in the ”book gallery” at the end of the semester. In addition to the “pitch” requirements below, you will also be creating a book recommendation card to display with your favorite book from this semester. We will turn room 6A into a gallery of book recommendations for all of my students to explore new potential titles for their reading lists next semester. You will find more detailed requirements and details below:

1. Choose three books that you would like to read for the semester. You will report your list to Mr. Young on August 30th. (You may change your list as we progress through the semester).

2. Book Evaluation: Complete the book evaluation chart for each book that you read. The due dates are listed below.

**Book 1 - September 27th**

**Book 2 - October 27th**

**Book 3 - November 30th**

3. Book Pitches - After completing your book evaluations, choose one (your favorite) to “pitch” to the rest of the class. Your objective is to convince the class to read the book you choose. Pitch presentations will occur on **December 7-8** in class. Your allotted time is no more than 3 minutes.

4. Book recommendation card - Create a paragraph recommendation card for the book that you pitch. Make it as neat and decorative as you would like. It will be displayed with your book on our book walk day. **Due December 11th.**

5. Book Gallery - We will have a “book walk” through our gallery in class on **December 13th**. Please leave your book with Mr. Young on **December 11th** so he can display it!