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**East Side Middle School
6th Grade Humanities
2022-23 Summer Assignment
Due Date: The First Day of School! - September 8, 2022**

This summer, we hope that you spend a good deal of time reading for pleasure. Read on the beach, in the park, or in your favorite comfortable chair. To get you started on your summer reading, we would like you to pick up a copy of *The Misfits* by James Howe. *The Misfits* is a great novel about a group of four friends that happen to attend middle school, just like you. If the purchase of this book presents a hardship for your family, please reach out to [Beth Servetar](#), our Parent Coordinator as soon as possible.

One theme or big idea that we will be focusing on throughout the year is overcoming obstacles or resilience – having the ability to overcome a difficult time in your life or to overcome a challenging experience.

As you read *The Misfits*, we would like you to keep the theme of resilience in mind. After you finish the novel, write a one page response to the novel. Select one character from the novel that you think demonstrates resilience.

In your response, be sure to:

- Select one character.
- Discuss the problem or issue the character faces and must overcome.
- Discuss how the character overcomes the problem and demonstrates resilience.
- Provide 2-3 examples from the novel to support your ideas.
- Check your work for: capitalization, spelling, and punctuation.

Please pay attention to the format of your response.

- Typed or neatly handwritten on lined paper
- 12 point font: Times New Roman or Arial
- Double spaced

If you like *The Misfits*, there are three other books in the series for you to check out: *Addie on the Inside*, *Totally Joe*, and *Otherwise Known as Elvis*.

We hope you enjoy the book and have a great summer! We look forward to talking about it with you in September.

Sincerely,

The 6th Grade Humanities Team: Mr. Feder, Ms. Goldenberg, Ms. Herson, Ms. Nathan, Mr. Durante

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