



Dear Upcoming Eighth Grader,

Summer is the time for relaxing with a great novel! This year, you will have two wonderful ones to peruse and explore. Please be prepared on the third day of school with your sheets for the appointed novel.

Lois Lowry has written a quartet of books that deal with dystopian society. I would like you to read the *The Giver*. Then please pick **one** additional book from the four, either *Gathering Blue*, *Messenger*, or *Son*. Be ready to talk and write about that other book. There is a worksheet for you to fill out on ***The Giver* only**. Please make sure you finish them and bring it with you on the third day of school. Your homeroom teacher will be collecting them. It will be your first assignment grade for the school year.

In the meantime, relax and rest! It will be an exciting year for you at Saint Vincent Martyr School.

Very best,

Michelle Flanagan
Literature teacher

