

Summer 2026



Dear Incoming 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Student,

We look forward to you being enrolled in the upcoming school year at Calvary Academy middle school. All students at Calvary Academy from grades 6 through 12 are required to complete independent **book readings** during the summer. This summer you will be reading **Among the Hidden** by Margaret Peterson Haddix and are responsible to complete the following assignment that will be *due on the first full day of school*:

Select **ONE project** from the following 2 options:

**Option #1: TV NEWS SCRIPT:**

You are a TV reporter for a news station and you have been sent out to get a story on the main character of the book you read this summer **Among the Hidden**.

Begin with an **introduction**... "Good Evening, this is \_\_\_\_\_ from Channel \_\_\_\_ coming to you live from \_\_\_\_\_ to report on \_\_\_\_\_."

**Write a news script** in which you develop 10 interesting questions that you can ask your main character that reveal the following: (1) main character's personality, (2) role that the minor characters played in the story, the major elements of the story, (3) exposition (setting, conflict, inciting incident), (4) rising action, (5) climax, (6) falling action, (7) resolution. Your character's answers to each question must be thorough, accurate and complete, and **approx. 7-10 sentences (single spaced, 12 font, Times New Roman) for each response.**

**Option #2: DIARY:**

**Create a Diary** – telling the story, not from the main character's perspective but from a minor character's point of view. For example, for **Among the Hidden** you may select Mr. Garner, Mrs. Garner, Matthew, Mark, or Mr. Talbot or any other character other than Luke. Your diary entries must include all the elements of the story such as exposition (characters, setting, conflict), inciting incident, rising action, climax, falling action and resolution. This project needs to read like a diary so include a good character description of the minor character you select and the other characters of the story so we can better understand the plot from your character's point of view. **You must have a minimum of 10 entries, approximately 7 to 10 sentences for each entry (single spaced, 12 font, Times New Roman).**

Have a blessed summer.

In His Service,

Mrs. Susan Greenwood  
Upper School Supervisor