

7th and 8th Grade Summer Work

SHSS School Year 2026-2027

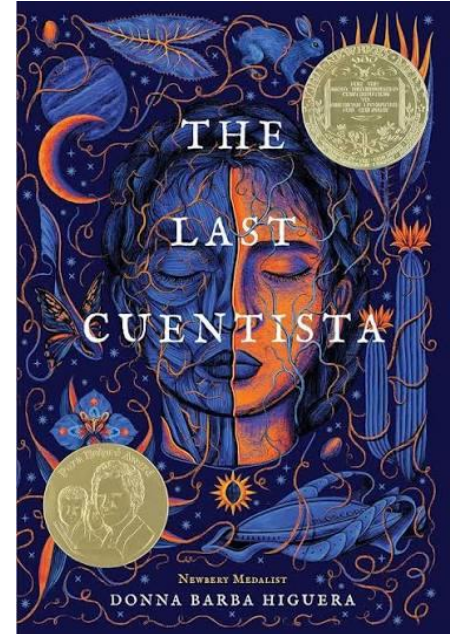
8th-grade scholars will read one summer reading text, complete 60 minutes per week of Math IXL, and complete 30 minutes per week of ELA IXL. Scholars will be graded on the successful completion* of their work on September 8, 2026.

Summer Reading Text:

Scholars will read and annotate [The Last Cuentista](#) by Donna Barba Higuera. As scholars read, they should annotate text evidence that supports an answer to this essential question:

How does Petra's knowledge of STEM and stories **empower** her and those she cares about?

Scholars can annotate directly in the text (as long as it's not a library or borrowed copy!), or they can use the annotation guide posted in the Summer Work Google Classroom.



Summer IXL Work: The IXL skill plans were updated with your scholars' latest benchmarking (MAP) scores, so each plan is tailored to support *your scholars' specific areas of growth*.

ELA Skill Plan - 30 minutes per week (total of 360 minutes).

Math Skill Plan - 60 minutes per week (total of 720 minutes).

*IXL work is graded on successful completion of the assigned minutes; ***the scholar needs to show growth for their time to count as completed***. If your scholar is struggling to show growth in a skill or set of skills, please have them reach out to their teacher for help.

Supply List for September

Required Text:

[HSPT Strategies and Practice, Second Edition](#)

Supplies:

- 1 one-subject graphing notebook (for STEM)
- 1 one subject **college-ruled** composition notebooks (black marble) (for Math)
- 3 one-subject **college-ruled**, full-sized notebooks
- 1 set of colored pencils
- 1 package of #2 pencils
- 1 package of black pens
- 1 pencil sharpener with shavings cup
- 1 pencil bag
- 1 Pack Whiteboard markers for independent use (for Math)
- 4 highlighters
- 1 set of personal earbuds (**headphones need to fit inside your pencil bag**)
- 1 12inch (30cm) ruler with customary and metric measurements
- 3 packages (100 to pack) white college ruled 3 x 5 index cards
- 1 [box](#) to contain index cards
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 1 container of Clorox wipes
- 1 backpack with a padded section for a Chromebook
- Water Bottle

Planner provided by Sacred Heart, and needs to be carried by scholars