

June 8, 2026

Dear MS 447 Community Members,

We're excited to announce the book for our Schoolwide Summer Reading program this year! This summer, all MS 447 students and teachers will read *Rolling Warrior*, by Judith Heumann. This memoir tells the true story of how Judith Heumann's determination changed the laws of the United States and expanded accessibility for people with disabilities. Please note, there is also an "adult" version of this book, titled *Being Heumann*. but we will be reading the "Young Readers Edition."

Students and teachers are asked to read this book over the summer, and on **Friday, September 11**—during our opening days of the 2026-2027 academic year—our school community will engage in activities and book club meetings to discuss the book. We'll be thinking about how Judith's story connects to our lives, and how we can use her story to motivate and inspire us. It will be a great way for students and teachers to reconnect after a fun summer, and to kick off another successful school year!

Copies of *Rolling Warrior* will be available for purchase at a discounted price of **\$11.00** through MS 447. We invite families to make an additional donation to help defray the cost of books for families that may not be able to afford it. All students will receive a copy of *Rolling Warrior* before the last day of school, regardless of ability to pay. **Please use the PTA's QR code to pay online; send payment in cash or check, along with the order form below, by Monday, June 22.**

- ❖ *6th graders, please return your order form and payment to your Social Studies teachers.*
- ❖ *7th graders, please return your order form and payment to your ELA teachers.*

Thanks for your support and participation, and have a great summer!

Sincerely,

MS 447 Schoolwide Book Club Committee (contact: [CHaft@ms447.org](mailto:CHaft@ms447.org) or [KDavis@ms447.org](mailto:KDavis@ms447.org))

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***Rolling Warrior: MS 447 School-wide Summer Reading Book***

*Please enclose \$11.00 payment or more to donate (cash or check payable to MS 447).*

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

- Check and sign here if your child will purchase this book on an e-reader or borrow from the public library system, and will not need a book from MS447. \_\_\_\_\_.
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- Check here if you have paid by credit card online (Use QR code below)
- Check here if you are including a donation. \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Thank you!!



