

**Trinity Valley School**  
**Upper School Summer Reading 2024**

**All students:**

- Please purchase a copy of the book to read over the summer, and use in class, unless otherwise noted.
- Please note when specific formats or ISBN numbers are specified.

All Middle and Upper School reading lists are available at [bit.ly/4b7XwYa](https://bit.ly/4b7XwYa)

## Rising 9<sup>th</sup> Grade (all students)

Students entering 9th grade will read mythology excerpts. Additionally, students will choose and read one book for fun over the summer, and be prepared to discuss and write about their title choice in class. Mythology book information, excerpt pages and detailed instructions for your book of choice are linked [here](#).  
[Ms. Adriane Wheat](#) and [Ms. Caryn Snyder](#)

## Rising 10<sup>th</sup> Grade (all students)



Students should consult this [Collection of about 75 approved titles](#), with descriptions, to read the biography of their choice, from among those listed. These are all people who have made a positive contribution to the world, with a book length of about 250 pages minimum.

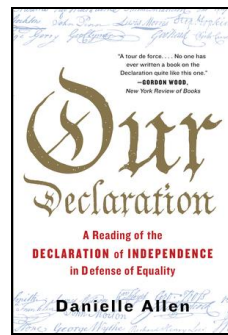
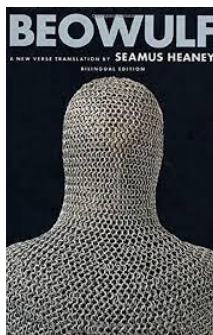
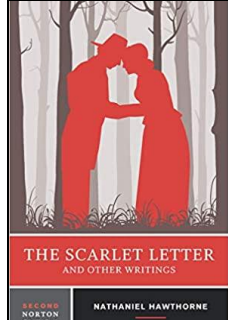
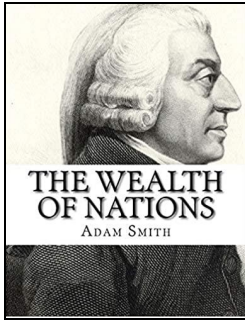


You may browse for books at the TVS library before the end of school, and check one out for the summer. You may access [Fort Worth Public Library](#) ebooks with the [Libby app](#) or visit a public library over the summer. Other options are purchasing a book, or using an approved book from your family bookshelf. Please contact [Mrs. Gonzalez](#) or [Dr. Carlson](#) for approval of a biography not listed in the Collection, or if you have questions.

Read the book over the summer, and be prepared to discuss it in the Fall.

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## Rising 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Grades, and Honors, Advanced and AP classes



If your section has notes or a link, check there for full book lists and instructions.

### RISING 10<sup>th</sup> GRADE WORLD CONFLICTS (Fall Semester)

[Mr. James Scott](#)

There is no direct summer reading, but you will be expected to study maps or atlases on portions of the Americas, Europe, Africa, and Asia, either printed or online. Mr. Scott will contact enrolled students directly with detailed information. There will be a test over the material during the first week of school.

### RISING 11<sup>th</sup> GRADE ENGLISH (COLLEGE PREP, ENGLISH III, ALL SECTIONS)

[Mrs. Monica Gonzalez](#)

[Assignment instructions and reading selections](#) are posted online.

### RISING 12<sup>th</sup> GRADE ENGLISH (COLLEGE PREP, ENGLISH IV, ALL SECTIONS)

[Ms. Adriane Wheat](#)

[Assignment instructions and book specifications](#) are posted online.

[Ms. Caryn Snyder](#)

### AP ENGLISH LANGUAGE

[Ms. Danielle Sellers](#)

*The Scarlet Letter and Other Writings (Norton Critical Edition)* by Nathaniel Hawthorne

**Please purchase a print copy of the Norton Critical Edition, ISBN 978-0393264890**

Print books with written annotations will be required for class discussion once school begins.

There are three parts to Ms. Sellers' summer reading assignment. First, students will read Mortimer J. Adler's short essay, "How to Mark a Book." You should already have a PDF copy sent from Mrs. Sellers. Second, students will read and annotate their copy of *The Scarlet Letter*. Students should annotate for themes, symbols and character development. Annotations will be due on the first day of school so be sure to bring your books to class. Students should be prepared for a summer reading test on the second and third days of class. Third, students should follow this [link](#) for the creative project associated with the Hawthorne novel, due on the first day of class.

### AP ENGLISH LITERATURE

[Dr. Austin Johnson](#)

*Beowulf*, translated by Seamus Heaney

**Please purchase the translation by Seamus Heaney, ISBN 978-0393320978**

There are many translations available, so make sure you purchase the right edition. Make certain to also read the introduction. Annotate your copy as you read. I will evaluate your annotations at the beginning of the school year.

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### AP EUROPEAN HISTORY

[Mr. James Scott](#)

*Wealth of Nations* by Adam Smith

*A Tale of Two Cities* by Charles Dickens

These books are out of copyright, and are available from a variety of publishers. Any unabridged print, audiobook or ebook edition is acceptable. Please purchase and read the books over the summer as they are tied into the first weeks of class.

Along with reading these two books, you will be expected to study atlases, either printed or online. Mr. Scott will contact enrolled students directly with detailed summer reading information.

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### AP LATIN

[Dr. Brandon Cline](#)

Dr. Cline will contact AP Latin students with summer reading instructions by May 23. If you do not receive them, please email Dr. Cline promptly.

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### AP UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

[Dr. Dave Ostroff](#)

*Our Declaration: A Reading of the Declaration of Independence in Defense of Equality*  
by Danielle S. Allen

**Please purchase the paperback edition (May, 2015) ISBN 978-1631490446**

You will read the book in full, and follow specific annotation requirements. There are four parts to the summer reading assignment, [explained in detail here](#). Parts 1-4 are due on the *second day of the academic year*. Students should plan to take a quiz on their second day of class, either **Thursday, August 22<sup>th</sup> or Friday, August 23<sup>th</sup>**, depending on their respective sections. At that time, annotations, personal indexes, and outlines will be collected in class.

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### AP UNITED STATES HISTORY

[Dr. Luritta DuBois](#) and [Mr. Luis Terrazas](#)

Dr. DuBois and Mr. Terrazas have detailed instructions and reading selections [here](#). If you have trouble accessing this assignment, please contact Dr. DuBois or Mr. Terrazas.

**All assignments must be hand-written.**

This assignment includes must-know factual content, essential readings, and written responses. Students should plan to take **a quiz on their third day of class**, either **Friday, August 23 or Monday, August 26<sup>th</sup>**, depending on their respective sections. At that time, written work will be collected in class.

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Scan to access the Summer Reading lists for all MS and US grades:

