

ST BERNARD PARISH PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Summer Reading Lists
Chalmette High School
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Dear Parents and Guardians of Chalmette High School Students,

Our teachers and students have worked very hard all year, and your children are leaving school this year as better readers and writers. As you know, good readers and writers read and write DAILY. **Recent brain research shows us that practice is necessary in order to master strategies that are critical to the success of the reading and writing process.** The more students read, the more proficient they become at reading and writing. Summer is a wonderful time of year for students to read books for pleasure and to nurture a love for reading.

The attached summer reading list for Chalmette High School supports the district curriculum. The list is organized according to grade level. However, it is always strongly encouraged that students read as much as possible. Our public library as well as Chalmette High School's main campus office will have copies of these books available to check out. Amazon.com and local bookstores also have these books available for purchase.

Your support in promoting literacy skills is especially critical to your child's education. **Students who read at least one of the texts on the summer reading list can receive extra credit in their English course the following year.** In order to receive extra credit, students must pass the Accelerated Reader Program (ARP) test for each summer reading book. Students may take ARP tests over the summer at **Davies Elementary School Library from June 3 through June 30 from 8:15 am – 12:45 pm.** Students may also take ARP tests upon their return to school through **August 26, 2022.** Students should submit their printout of test results to their English teacher.

Please encourage and remind your student to keep up with this process to form good literacy habits. We hope that you and your child have a wonderful time enjoying many great books this summer!

Happy reading!

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Incoming English I

(Theme Emphasis: The Power of Language)

- ***Tuesdays with Morrie** by Mitch Albom
- ***The Boy in the Striped Pajamas** by John Boyne
- ***The Fault in Our Stars** by John Green
- ***The Secret Life of Bees** by Sue Monk Kidd

Incoming English II

(Theme Emphasis: Persuasion Across Cultures)

- ***I Am the Cheese** by Robert Cormier
- ***Of Mice and Men** by John Steinbeck
- ***Lord of the Flies** by William Golding
- ***The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy** by Douglas Adams

Incoming English III

(Theme Emphasis: The American Dream)

- ***Death of a Salesman** by Arthur Miller
- ***Cat's Cradle** by Kurt Vonnegut
- ***Incidents in the Life of a Slave Girl** by Harriet Ann Jacobs
- ***The Scarlet Letter** by Nathaniel Hawthorne
- ***The Member of the Wedding** by Carson McCullers

Incoming English IV/ Senior Apps

(Theme Emphasis: Perspectives)

- ***Pride and Prejudice** by Jane Austen
- ***Feed** by M.T. Anderson
- ***The Hobbit** by J.R.R. Tolkien
- ***Life of Pi** by Yann Martel
- A Prayer for Owen Meany** by John Irving

* These books will be available at Chalmette High School's front office for check-out.