Summer Reading 2026-27

Students must read one title from the grade they will be entering in the fall. Students are encouraged to read more, but only one book will be assessed. **These assessments will be held during the week of September 7, and their weight will be equal to half a test grade.** Students must bring the book to class for the assessment. All students will be permitted to use the book for the assessment. The assessment will be designed by the teacher to best serve his/her students. We encourage parents to read with their students and help them choose an appropriate book. Some books may contain questionable language or situations.

*Students enrolled in **AP Language and Composition or AP Literature and Composition** will have a different summer assignment and will not complete this assignment.

*Rising Sophomores enrolled in **AP Seminar** must read *Left to Tell* by Ilibagiza and choose an additional title. All students in grades 10 through 12 are encouraged to continue sharpening their SAT test-taking skills on Khan Academy.

Some of the books might be available online for free. Students can try to find the books on one or all of these websites.

- https://oceanofpdf.com/
- https://www.gutenberg.org/
- https://archive.org/

Students entering Grade 9

Fiction

Ender's Game–Card
Monster –Myers
Girl in Hyacinth Blue–Vreeland
Dear Martin –Stone
Running Full Tilt –Currinder
The Highest Tide –Lynch

Non-Fiction

They Called Us Enemy –Essinger
The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens–Covey

Students entering Grade 10

Fiction

The Girl Who Fell from the Sky –Durrow
Refugee –Gratz
A Farewell to Arms –Hemingway
Salt to the Sea –Sepetys
Cat's Cradle –Vonnegut
A Wizard of Earthsea – Ursula K. Le Guin

Non-Fiction
A Long Way Gone —Beah
The Other Wes Moore –Moore
Undefeated: Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian School Football Team – Sheinkin
Left to Tell – Ilibagiza ***__Rising sophomores enrolled in AP Seminar next year are required to read this title__**

Students entering Grade 11

Fiction
Stranger in the Lifeboat –Albom
Orphan Train – Kline
Killer Angels – Shaara
Water for Elephants – Gruen
The Secret Life of Bees – Kidd
American Boys – Reynolds
Waterlily – Deloria
Remarkably Bright Creatures –Van Pelt
Firekeeper's Daughter – Boulley
Paper Towns – Green
The Things They Carried – O'Brien

Non-Fiction
Founding Brothers – Ellis
When Breath Becomes Air – Kalanithi
Americanized: Rebel without a Green Card – Saedi
Eight Men Out – Asinof
Crying in H-Mart – Zauner

Students entering Grade 12

Fiction

Year of Wonders – Geraldine Brooks
A Thousand Splendid Suns – Hosseini
Klara and the Sun – Ishiguro
The Once and Future King –White
Pride and Prejudice – Austen
Mayflies – O'Hagan
Trust – Diaz
White Tiger – Adiga
Demon Copperhead – Kingsolver

Non-Fiction

Angela's Ashes – McCourt
Friday Night Lights – Bissinger
Born a Crime – Noah