

St. Margaret's School Summer Reading Program 2018

The Summer Reading List was compiled by teachers in the English and ESL departments in hopes that students will expand their understanding of the world and enrich their vocabulary, while enjoying works of literary merit. Students are required to read **two books** from their grade specific list. As all St. Margaret's students know, good reading calls for note taking to relate to the plot, characters, and themes. Your English teachers suggest that you annotate your books since they will be assessing your understanding of these novels the first week of school. You will need to bring your copies of these novels to class during this week. Students should select books they have not previously read.

- Returning students are required to read two books from the Summer Reading List.
- Students who enroll prior to **June 30** are required to read two books from the Summer Reading List.
- Students who enroll **July 1-August 10** are required to read one book from the Summer Reading List.
- Any student who enrolls **after August 10** is not required to fulfill the summer reading requirement but is encouraged to read one book from the Summer Reading List.

All non-native English speakers must read novels in English.

New International Students

- **Whose first language IS English**, should follow the grade level specifications on the next page
- **Whose first language is NOT English** are excused from the summer reading requirement their first year

Returning ESL Students

- Scheduled for the 2018-19 school year for Adv ESL/Lit and Comp should select from the 9th and 10th grade list.
- Scheduled for the 2018-19 school year for Intro ESL and Intermediate ESL should see Ms. Newman for their book selection.

“Books give a soul to the universe, wings to the mind, flight to the imagination, and life to everything” -Plato

Summer Reading List

Rising Eighth Grade (select two)

1. *And Then There Were None*- Agatha Christie
2. *Ender's Game*- Orson Scott Card
3. *The Secret Life of Bees*- Sue Monk Kidd
4. *Wish You Well*- David Baldacci
5. *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*- Maya Angelou
6. *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*- Sherman Alexie

Rising Ninth and Tenth Grades (select two)

1. *The Glass Castle*- Jeannette Walls
2. *Outcasts United*- Warren St. John
3. *Of Mice and Men*- John Steinbeck
4. *Water for Elephants*- Sara Gruen
5. *The Art of Racing in the Rain*- Garth Stein
6. *The Book Thief* –Markus Zusak
7. *Aprons and Silver Spoons*-Mollie Moran
8. *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time*-Mark Haddon
9. *The Hound of the Baskervilles*- Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

Rising Eleventh Grade (select two)

1. *Black Ice*- Lorene Cary
2. *Catcher in the Rye*- J.D. Salinger
3. *Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe*- Fannie Flagg
4. *The Secret History*- Donna Tartt
5. *Orphan Train*- Christina Baker Kline
6. *La Rose*- Louise Erdrich

Rising Twelfth Grade (select two)

1. *The Fifth Child* – Doris Lessing
2. *Sleeping Murder*- Agatha Christie
3. *A Town Like Alice* – Nevil Shute
4. *Rebecca*- Daphne Du Maurier
5. *Frankenstein*- Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley
6. *The Last Telegram*- Liz Trenow
7. *Mrs. Miniver*- Jan Struther

“We lose ourselves in books; we find ourselves there, too.”- Anonymous

