Incoming 9th Grade Students (College Prep and Honors)
Summer Reading – 2019

The best academic students are the students who read the most. The Clifton High School community celebrates that you are a bright, good person and we want to provide you with summer reading opportunities to maintain your reading skills.

All incoming 9th grade students are to read one book from the following list and should login to Google Classroom to complete the assessment before September 2019.

To sign up: Go to classrooms.google.com and enter the code: 3ccfr3 or t2vgka0

Fiction:
1. The Cupcake Queen by Heather Helper-While longing for her old big-city life, thirteen-year-old Penny helps her mother and grandmother run a cupcake bakery in Hog's Hollow and tries to avoid the beastly popular girls, be a good friend to quirky Tally, and catch the eye of enigmatic Marcus.
2. Heat by Mike Lupica-Baseball pitching star Michael Arroyo is on the run from social services after being banned from playing Little League baseball because rival coaches doubt he is only twelve years old, and he has no parents to offer them proof.
4. The 5th Wave by Rick Yancey-Cassie Sullivan, the survivor of an alien invasion, must rescue her young brother from the enemy with help from a boy who may be one of them.
5. What Happened to Goodbye by Sarah Dessen-Seventeen-year-old Mclean begins to lose sight of who she really is after she tries to reinvent herself at each school she attends after her parents' divorce and her father moves her from town to town.
6. Along for the Ride by Sarah Dessen-Auden gets a chance to recapture the carefree teen life she missed while her parents were going through a divorce when she goes to spend the summer with her dad and his new family in a charming beach town and meets fellow insomniac Eli, an intriguing loner fighting demons of his own.
7. Zeke Bartholomew by Jason Pinter-A case of mistaken identity causes Zeke, who has always dreamed of becoming a spy, to suddenly find himself in the world of real espionage, and he must stop the pop group PB&J from releasing their newest song containing hidden messages. Book #1
8. Heist Society by Ally Carter-Fifteen-year-old Kat schemes her way into the best boarding school, hoping to leave the thieving antics of her family behind her, but Hal, a former co-conspirator, appears on campus to tell Kat that a powerful mobster believes her father stole art from a priceless collection, and in order to save him, Kat will have to recover the paintings.
9. Shiver by Maggie Stiefvater-In all the years she has watched the wolves in the woods behind her house, Grace has been particularly drawn to an unusual yellow-eyed wolf who, in his turn, has been watching her with increasing intensity. (series, book #1)
10. Hush Hush by Becca Fitzpatrick-High school sophomore Nora has always been very cautious in her relationships, but when Patch, who has a dark side she can sense, enrolls at her school, she is mysteriously and strongly drawn to him, despite warnings from her best friend, the school counselor, and her own instincts.
11. Beautiful Creatures by Kami Garcia-In a small South Carolina town, where it seems little has changed since the Civil War, sixteen-year-old Ethan is powerfully drawn to Lena, a new classmate with whom he shares a psychic connection and whose family hides a dark secret that may be revealed on her sixteenth birthday.
12. *I Was Here* by Gayle Forman-In an attempt to understand why her best friend committed suicide, eighteen-year-old Cody Reynolds retraces her dead friend's footsteps and makes some startling discoveries.

13. *Fire* by Kristin Cashore-In a kingdom called the Dells, Fire is the last human-shaped monster, with unimaginable beauty and the ability to control the minds of those around her, but even with these gifts she cannot escape the strife that overcomes her world.

14. *Wintergirls* by Laurie Halse Anderson-Eighteen-year-old Lia comes to terms with her best friend's death from anorexia as she struggles with the same disorder.

15. *Ship Builder* by Paolo Bacigalupi-In a futuristic world, teenaged Nailer scavenges copper wiring from grounded oil tankers for a living, but when he finds a beached clipper ship with a girl in the wreckage, he has to decide if he should strip the ship for its wealth or rescue the girl.

16. *Finnikin of the Rock* by Morgan Marchetta-Now on the cusp of manhood, Finnikin, who was a child when the royal family of Lumatere was brutally murdered and replaced by an imposter, reluctantly joins forces with an enigmatic young novice and fellow-exile, who claims that her dark dreams will lead them to a surviving royal child and a way to regain the throne of Lumatere.

17. *Who Comes with the Cannons?* by Patricia Beatty-In 1861, twelve-year-old Truth, a Quaker girl from Indiana, is staying with relatives who run a North Carolina station of the Underground Railroad, when her world is changed by the beginning of the Civil War.

18. *Schooled* by Paul Langan-Lionel Shephard dreams of joining the NBA, but while his father disapproves of his plans, his teachers are threatening to fail him--unaware of his poor reading abilities--and Lionel needs to decide how far he is willing to go for his dreams.

19. *Chains* by Laurie Halse Anderson-After being sold to a cruel couple in New York City, a slave named Isabel spies for the rebels during the Revolutionary War.

20. *Night Hoops* by Carl Deuker-While trying to prove that he is good enough to play on his high school's varsity basketball team, Nick must also deal with his parents' divorce and erratic behavior of a troubled classmate who lives across the street.

21. *The Runner* by Cynthia Voigt-The prequel to Dicey's Song and Homecoming, in which eighteen-year-old Samuel "Bullet" Tillerman begins to question his racial prejudices when a black student joins the school track team.

22. *This World We Live In* by Susan Beth Pfeffer-Miranda Evans, her two brothers, and their mother struggle for survival a year after the moon's collision with a meteor altered the climate forever, and while things become more difficult with the arrival of six more people, including her father and stepmother, a new disaster threatens to derail the new lives they have been trying to build.

23. *All Fall Down* by Ally Carter-There are many powerful people along Embassy Row who want Grace to block out all her unpretty thoughts. But Grace will not stop until she finds out who killed her mother and make the killer pay.

24. *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* by Mark Hadon-Despite his overwhelming fear of interacting with people, Christopher, a mathematically-gifted, autistic fifteen-year-old boy, decides to investigate the murder of a neighbor's dog and uncovers secret information about his mother.

25. *Born on a Blue Day* (biography) by Daniel Tammet

Daniel Tammet, an autistic savant, offers an inside look at his life, describing how his rare condition, which gives him incredible mental powers and a compulsive need for order and routine, has influenced every aspect of his life and what challenges he has faced while trying to be independent.

26. *Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close* by Jonathan Foer-Follows nine-year-old Oskar Schell as he encounters a number of interesting characters in his search for information about his father who died in the World Trade Tower and tries to find the lock that fits the mysterious key his father had.

27. *The Namesake* by Jhumpa Lahiri-A young man born of Indian parents in America struggles with issues of identity from his teens to his thirties.
28. **The Boy Who Dared** by Susan Campbell Bartoletti-In October, 1942, seventeen-year-old Helmuth Hübener, imprisoned for distributing anti-Nazi leaflets, recalls his past life and how he came to dedicate himself to bring the truth about Hitler and the war to the German people.

29. **I am Morgan le Fay** by Nancy Springer-In a war-torn England where her half brother, Arthur, will eventually become king, the young Morgan le Fay comes to realize that she has magic powers and links to the faerie world.

30. **Flowers for Algernon** by Daniel Keys-Is superior intelligence the answer to all of Charlie's problems? If so, he gains more than he had bargained for.

31. **The Alchemist** by Paulo Coelho -The charming tale of Santiago, a shepherd boy, who dreams of seeing the world, is compelling in its own right, but gains resonance through the many lessons Santiago learns during his adventures. He journeys from Spain to Morocco in search of worldly success, and eventually to Egypt, where a fateful encounter with an alchemist brings him at last to self-understanding and spiritual enlightenment.

32. **The Chosen** by Chaim Potok -In 1940s New York, an accident throws Reuven Malther and Danny Saunders together. Despite their differences the young men form a deep, if unlikely, friendship. Together they negotiate adolescence, family conflicts, and the crisis of faith engendered when Holocaust stories begin to emerge in the U.S., loss, love, and the journey to adulthood. The intellectual and spiritual clashes between fathers, between each son and his own father, and between the two young men, provide a unique backdrop for this exploration of fathers, sons, faith, loyalty, and, ultimately, the power of love.

33. **Death Be Not Proud** by John Gunther (Non-fiction/ Memoir)-This deeply moving book is a father's memoir of his brave, intelligent, and spirited son who was seventeen years old when he died of a brain tumor.

34. **Sleeping Freshmen Never Lie** by David Lubar -Scott Hudson chronicles the ups and downs of his eventful freshman year in high school.

35. **The Wizard of Earthsea** by Ursula LeGuin -Often compared to Tolkien's *Middle-earth* or Lewis's *Narnia*, this is a stunning fantasy world that grabs quickly at your heart, pulling you deeply into its imaginary realms.

36. **We Were Liars** by E. Lockhart-Spending the summers on her family's private island off the coast of Massachusetts with her cousins and a special boy named Gat, teenaged Cadence struggles to remember what happened during her fifteenth summer.

37. **Eleanor and Park** by Rainbow Rowell-Set over the course of one school year in 1986, this is the story of two star-crossed misfits--smart enough to know that first love almost never lasts, but brave and desperate enough to try.

38. **Hero** by S.L. Rottman-After years of abuse from his mother and neglect from his father, ninth-grader Sean Parker is headed for trouble until he is sent to do community service at a farm owned by an old man who teaches Sean that he can take control of his own life.

39. **Shelter** by Coben-After Mickey witnesses his father's death and his mother's admission into rehab, he is sent to live with his estranged uncle and change high schools, but when Mickey's new girlfriend, Ashley, suddenly disappears Mickey refuses to let another person walk out of his life and follows clues that reveal truths about both Ashley and Mickey's father.

40. **Accomplice** by Corrigan-High school juniors and best friends Finn and Chloe hatch a daring plot to fake Chloe's disappearance from their rural New Jersey town in order to have something compelling to put on their college applications, but unforeseen events complicate matters.

41. **Shadow Boxer** by Lynch-After their father dies of boxing injuries, George is determined to prevent his younger brother, who sees boxing as his legacy, from pursuing a career in the sport.

42. **Rotten** by Northrop-When troubled sixteen-year-old Jimmer "JD" Dobbs returns from a mysterious summer "upstate" he finds that his mother has adopted an abused Rottweiler that JD names Johnny Rotten, but soon his tenuous relationship with the dog is threatened.

43. **Hidden Talents** by Lubar-Thirteen-year-old Martin, a new student at an alternative school for misfits and problem students, falls in with a group of boys with psychic powers and discovers something surprising about himself.

44. **Life As Knew It** by Susan Pfeffer-Through journal entries sixteen-year-old Miranda describes her family's struggle to survive after a meteor hits the moon, causing worldwide tsunamis, earthquakes, and volcanic eruptions.
45. **The Cheat** by Amy Koss-When Sarah gets her hands on the answers to the eighth-grade geography midterm and decides to share them with some other students, the consequences are far-ranging.

46. **Dairy Queen** by Katharine Murdoch-After spending her summer running the family farm and training the quarterback for her school's rival football team, sixteen-year-old D.J. decides to go out for the sport herself, not anticipating the reactions of those around her.

47. **I Am Number Four** by Pittacus Lore-In rural Ohio, friendships and a beautiful girl prove distracting to a fifteen-year-old who has hidden on Earth for ten years waiting to develop the Legacies, or powers, he will need to rejoin the other six surviving Garde members and fight the Mogadorians who destroyed their planet, Lorien.(book 1 in the series)

49. **The List** by Vivian Sioban-Emily and seven other high school girls struggle with the way they see themselves and the way others see them after a list ranking the prettiest and ugliest girls is posted.

50. **Man Who Ate the 747** by Ben Sherwood-J.J. Smith, the Keeper of the Records for "The Book of Records" has witnessed many extraordinary things in the course of his job, but he has never witnessed true love, until he meets a man who is attempting to eat an entire Boeing 747 to prove his love for a woman.

51. **Tex** by S.E. Hinton-The love between two teen-age brothers helps to alleviate the harshness of their usually parentless life as they struggle to grow up.

52. **Trickster’s Choice** by Tamora Pierce-Alianne must call forth her mother's courage and her father's wit in order to survive on the Copper Isles in a royal court rife with political intrigue and murderous conspiracy.

53. **The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle** by Avi-Thirteen-year-old Charlotte Doyle, the only passenger on a voyage from England to America in 1832, must take serious matters into her own hands when she learns that the captain is murderous.

54. **The Truth about Sparrows** by Marian Hale-Twelve-year-old Sadie promises that she will always be Wilma's best friend when their families leave drought-stricken Missouri in 1933, but once in Texas, Sadie learns that she must try to make a new home--and new friends, too.

55. **Vanishing** by Bruce Brooks-Eleven-year-old Alice is unwilling to return to live with her alcoholic mother and her stern stepfather, so she refuses to eat to the point of slowly starving herself in order to remain in the hospital.

56. **Whale Talk** by Chris Crutcher-Intellectually and athletically gifted, TJ, a multiracial, adopted teenager, shuns organized sports and the gung-ho athletes at his high school until he agrees to form a swimming team and recruits some of the school's less popular students.

57. **When My Name Was Keoko** by Nancy Osa-Within national pride and occasional fear, a brother and sister face the increasingly oppressive occupation of Korea by Japan during World War II, which threatens to suppress Korean culture entirely.

58. **Wild Man Island** by Will Hobbs-After fourteen-year-old Andy slips away from his kayaking group to visit the wilderness site of his archaeologist father's death, a storm strands him on Admiralty Island, Alaska, where he manages to survive, encounters unexpected animal and human inhabitants, and looks for traces of the earliest prehistoric immigrants to America.

59. **Wizards of the Game** by David Lubar

**Nonfiction:**

60. **Beautiful Boy: A Father’s Journey Through His Son’s Addiction** by David Sheff-Journalist David Sheff tells the story of his son Nic's happy early childhood, the transformation wrought by Nic's addiction to methamphetamine, and his own obsession with Nic's well-being.

61. **Into the Wild** by Jon Krakaur-In April of 1992 a young man from a well-to-do family hitchhiked to Alaska and walked the wilderness alone north of Mt. McKinley. Christopher Johnson McCandless gave $25,000 in savings to charity, abandoned his car and most of his possessions, burned all the cash in his wallet, and invented a new life for himself.

62. **Into Thin Air: A Personal Account of the Mount Everest Disaster** by Jonathan Krakauer-The author relates his experience of climbing Mount Everest during its deadliest season and examines what it is about the mountain that makes people willingly subject themselves to such risk, hardship, and expense.

63. **Last Lecture** by Randy Pausch-Computer science professor Randy Pausch, who has been diagnosed with terminal cancer, discusses how to overcome obstacles in one's life and achieve one's dreams.

64. **Rocket Boys – October Sky** by Homer Hickman-Homer Hickam, a NASA engineer, recounts his childhood in Coalwood, a West Virginia mining town, and discusses his dreams of launching rockets into outer space, and how he made those dreams come true.
65. This Boy’s Life by Tobias Wolff-Wolff’s account of his boyhood and the process of growing up includes paper routes, whiskey, scouting, fistfights, friendship, betrayal, and America in the fifties.

66. Tomboy of the Air: Daredevil Pilot Blanche by Stuart Scott-A celebration of an aviation pioneer whose spunky, courageous personality helped her successors’ dreams take flight.

67. Tweak (Growing up on Methamphetamines) by Nic Sheff-The author describes his childhood in California, his addiction to crystal meth and heroin at a young age, his relapse after eighteen months of sobriety, and his path to recovery.

68. Your Food Is Fooling You: How Your Brain Is Hijacked by Sugar Fat and Salt by David Kessler-Explains that processed foods’ combinations of sugar, fat, and salt caused our bodies to crave more and provides practical advice for developing healthy eating habits.
Incoming 10th and 11th Grade English - College Prep
Summer Reading – 2019

All incoming 10th and 11th grade College Prep and 10th Grade Honors students are to read TWO books from the following list and login to Google Classroom to complete the assessment before September 2019.

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Being Henry David by C. Armistead. Seventeen-year-old 'Hank,' who can't remember his identity, finds himself in Penn Station with a copy of Thoreau's Walden as his only possession and must figure out where he's from and why he ran away.

In Darkness by N. Lake. In the aftermath of the Haitian earthquake, Shorty, a poor, fifteen-year-old gang member from the slums of Site Soleil, is trapped in the rubble of a hospital and as he grows weaker, he has visions and memories of his life of violence, his lost twin sister, and of Toussaint L'Ouverture, who liberated Haiti from French rule in 1804.

Code Name Verity by E. Wein. In 1943, a British fighter plane crashes in Nazi-occupied France and the survivor tells a tale of friendship, war, espionage, and great courage as she relates what she must do to survive while keeping secret all that she can.

So Yesterday by S. Westertfeld. Hunter Braque, a New York City teenager who is paid by corporations to spot what is "cool," combines his analytical skills with girlfriend Jen's creative talents to find a missing person and thwart a conspiracy directed at the heart of consumer culture.

When the Emperor Was Divine by J. Otsuka. A novel in which the members of a Japanese American family present their unique perspectives on the experience of being forced into an internment camp during World War II.

The Bonesetter's Daughter by A. Tan. San Francisco ghostwriter Ruth Young finally begins to understand her Alzheimer's-afflicted mother LuLing's preoccupation with ghosts and curses when she reads Luling's writings of her dark backwoods childhood in 1920s China--where LuLing's mute, disfigured nursemaid committed suicide, and a nearby cave held what may have been the bones of the lost ancient hominid Peking Man.

Shiva's Fire by S. Staples. In India, a talented dancer sacrifices friends and family for her art.

Jacoby by W. Ritter. Newly arrived in 1892 New England, Abigail Rook becomes assistant to R. F. Jackaby, an investigator of the unexplained with the ability to see supernatural beings, and she helps him delve into a case of serial murder which, Jackaby is convinced, is due to a nonhuman creature.

Life As We Knew It by S. Pfeffer. Through journal entries sixteen-year-old Miranda describes her family's struggle to survive after a meteor hits the moon, causing worldwide tsunamis, earthquakes, and volcanic eruptions.

Four Perfect Pebble by L. Perl. The author tells the story of her family's experiences as Jews in Hitler's Germany, tracing their horrifying journey from their home country to Holland and back again, living in refugee, transit, and prison camps, including Bergen-Belson.

Cuba 15 by N. Osa. Violet Paz, a Chicago high school student, reluctantly prepares for her upcoming "quince," a
Spanish nickname for the celebration of an Hispanic girl's fifteenth birthday.

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*City of Beasts* by I. Allendale. When fifteen-year-old Alexander Cold accompanies his individualistic grandmother on an expedition to find a humanoid Beast in the Amazon, he experiences ancient wonders and a supernatural world as he tries to avert disaster for the Indians.

*Buried Onions* by G. Soto. When nineteen-year-old Eddie drops out of college, he struggles to find a place for himself as a Mexican American living in a violence-infested neighborhood of Fresno, California.

*Anansi Boys* by N. Gaiman. Fat Charlie Nancy can't shake the embarrassing name his father bestowed on him twenty years ago. Mr. Nancy also left him other things, such as a brother Charlie never knew about and who wants to show Charlie how to lighten up and have a little fun.

*A Thousand Splendid Suns* by K. Hosseini. A novel set against the three decades of Afghanistan's history shaped by Soviet occupation, civil war, and the Taliban, which tells the stories of two women, Mariam and Laila, who grow close despite their nineteen-year age difference and initial rivalry as they suffer at the hand of a common enemy: their abusive husband.

*Little Brother* by C. Doctorow. Interrogated for days by the Department of Homeland Security in the aftermath of a major terrorist attack on San Francisco, California, seventeen-year-old Marcus is released into what is now a police state, and decides to use his expertise in computer hacking to set things right.

*Jellicoe Road* by M. Marchetta. Abandoned by her drug-addicted mother at the age of eleven, high school student Taylor Markham struggles with her identity and family history at a boarding school in Australia.

*The Name of the Star* by M. Johnson. Rory, of Boueuxlieu, Louisiana, is spending a year at a London boarding school when she witnesses a murder by a Jack the Ripper copycat and becomes involved with the very unusual investigation.

*Alligator Bayou* by D. Napoli. Fourteen-year-old Calogero Scalise and his Sicilian uncles and cousin live in small-town Louisiana in 1898, when Jim Crow laws rule and anti-immigration sentiment is strong, so despite his attempts to be polite and to follow American customs, disaster dogs his family at every turn.

*Code Talker* by J. Bruchac. After being taught in a boarding school run by whites that Navajo is a useless language, Ned Begay and other Navajo men are recruited by the Marines to become Code Talkers, sending messages during World War II in their native tongue.

*Purple Heart* by P. McCormick. While recuperating in a Baghdad hospital from a traumatic brain injury sustained during the Iraq War, eighteen-year-old soldier Matt Duffy struggles to recall what happened to him and how it relates to his ten-year-old friend, Ali.

*The Caged Graves* by D. Salerni. Returning to her hometown of Catawissa, Pennsylvania, in 1867 to marry a man she has never met, seventeen-year-old Verity Boone gets caught up in the mystery surrounding the graves of her mother and aunt and a dangerous hunt for Revolutionary-era gold.

*Ashfall* by M. Mullin. After the eruption of the Yellowstone super volcano destroys his city and its surroundings, fifteen-year-old Alex must journey from Cedar Falls, Iowa, to Illinois to find his parents and sister, trying to survive in a transformed landscape and a new society in which all the old rules of living have vanished.

*This Dark Endeavor* by K. Oppel. Victor and Konrad Frankenstein are inseparable twin brothers who stumble upon The Dark Library, where secret books of alchemy and ancient remedies are housed, but after their father forbids them to ever return to the library Konrad falls gravely ill and Victor seeks out a cure for his brother beyond traditional
Before I Fall by L. Oliver. After she dies in a car crash, teenage Samantha relives the day of her death over and over again until, on the seventh day, she finally discovers a way to save herself.

Wintergirls by L. Anderson. Eighteen-year-old Lia comes to terms with her best friend's death from anorexia as she struggles with the same disorder.

Twisted by L. Anderson. After finally getting noticed by someone other than school bullies and his ever-angry father, seventeen-year-old Tyler enjoys his tough new reputation and the attentions of a popular girl, but when life starts to go bad again, he must choose between transforming himself or giving in to his destructive thoughts.

Sekret by L. Smith. Follows a group of psychic teenagers in 1960s Soviet Russia who are forced to use their powers to spy for the KGB.

A Certain October by A. Johnson. After a terrible accident, Scotty feels responsible for the death of someone she hardly knew and struggles with her own reality while her friends and family deal with their own troubles, but the prospect of a boy and a dance add positive possibility back into Scotty's life.

What Happened to Goodbye by S. Dessen. Seventeen-year-old Mclean begins to lose sight of who she really is after she tries to reinvent herself at each school she attends after her parents' divorce and her father moves her from town to town.

The Marbury Lens by A. Smith. After being kidnapped and barely escaping, sixteen-year-old Jack goes to London with his best friend Connor, where someone gives him a pair of glasses that send him to an alternate universe where war is raging, he is responsible for the survival of two younger boys, and Connor is trying to kill them all.

Last Night I Sang to the Monster by A. Saenz. Eighteen-year-old Zach does not remember how he came to be in a treatment center for alcoholics, but through therapy and caring friends, his amnesia fades and he learns to face his past while working toward a better future.

Have a Nice Day by J. Halpern. Anna struggles to adjust after a three-week stay in the mental hospital, and, although she misses Justin, Anna is weary to ask about the goings on back at the hospital and begins to suspect she may be the cause of tension between her parents.

My Life Next Door by H. Fitzpatrick. When Samantha, the seventeen-year-old daughter of a wealthy, perfectionistic, Republican state senator, falls in love with the boy next door, whose family is large, boisterous, and just making ends meet, she discovers a different way to live, but when her mother is involved in a hit-and-run accident Sam must make some difficult choices.

Something Like Normal by T. Doller. When Travis returns home from Afghanistan, his parents are splitting up, his brother has stolen his girlfriend and car, and he has nightmares of his best friend getting killed but when he runs into Harper, a girl who has despised him since middle school, life actually starts looking up.

Butterfly Clues by K. Ellison. Penelope "Lo" Marin's copes with the stress of constantly moving by collecting--sometimes stealing--things from each new place, a habit that has become more compulsive since the death of her brother, but while she is wandering around Cleveland, Ohio, Lo finds a butterfly pendant at a flea market she recognizes as something stolen from a recently murdered girl and begins to piece together clues to find out the truth behind her death.

Vampire Rising by J. Henderson. At a boarding school in Switzerland, fourteen-year-old Alex Van Helsing learns that
vampires are real, that he has a natural ability to sense them, and that an agency called the Polidorium has been helping his family fight them since 1821.

The Cardturner by L. Sachar. When his wealthy uncle, a champion bridge player who has lost his vision, asks seventeen-year-old Alton to be a cardturner for him, Alton has no idea how much he will ultimately learn from his eccentric relative.

The Tenth Circle by J. Picoult. A stay-at-home dad for his fourteen-year-old daughter Trixie, Daniel has reinvented himself to become an even-tempered, mild-mannered man—until something tragic happens to Trixie.

The Program by S. Young. When suicide becomes a worldwide epidemic, the only known cure is The Program, a treatment in which painful memories are erased, a fate worse than death to seventeen-year-old Sloane who knows that The Program will steal memories of her dead brother and boyfriend.

A Plague Year by E. Bloor. Tom has long dreamed of getting out of Blackwater, Pennsylvania, and going to college somewhere warm and sunny, but when a plague of meth addiction sweeps through town in 2001, ruining the lives of friends, teachers, and parents, he finds it difficult to leave.

Tender Morsels by M. Lanagan. A young woman who has endured unspeakable cruelties is magically granted a safe haven apart from the real world and allowed to raise her two daughters in this alternate reality, until the barrier between her world and the real one begins to break down.

Where Things Come Back by J. Whaley. Seventeen-year-old Cullen’s summer in Lily, Arkansas, is marked by his cousin’s death by overdose, an alleged spotting of a woodpecker thought to be extinct, failed romances, and his younger brother’s sudden disappearance.

Defy by S. Larson. Seventeen-year-old Alexa’s parents were killed by a sorcerer during a raid, so she has disguised herself as a boy, joined Antion’s army, and earned a place on Prince Damian’s guard—but Antion is ruled by an evil king, and “Alex” must find a way to defeat him and protect her prince. See sequel: Ignite.

The Dead and Buried by K. Harrington. New student Jade uncovers a murder mystery when she moves into a house haunted by the ghost of a beautiful, mean girl who ruled Jade’s high school.

Starter by L. Price. To support herself and her younger brother in a future Beverly Hills, 16-yr-old Callie hires her body out to seniors who want to be young again. She lives a fairy-tale life until she learns that her body will commit murder.

Thirteen Days to Midnight by P. Carman. After his foster father is killed, high-school student Jacob discovers he has the power of indestructibility and the more he learns about it, the more he realizes that it is a heavy burden.

The Archived by V. Schwab. When an otherworldly library called the Archive is compromised from within, sixteen-year-old Mackenzie Bishop must prevent violent, ghostlike Histories from escaping into the world.

Defending Jacob by W. Landay. When his fourteen-year-old son is charged with the murder of a fellow student, assistant D.A. Andy Barber is torn between loyalty and justice as facts come to light.

BADD by T. Tharp. A teenaged girl’s beloved brother returns home from the Iraq War completely unlike the person she remembers.

A Moment Comes by J. Bradbury. As the partition of India nears in 1947 bringing violence even to Jalandhar, Tariq, a Muslim, finds himself caught between his forbidden interest in Anupreet, a Sikh girl, and Margaret, a British girl whose affection for him might help him get to Oxford.

Unwind by N. Shusterman. Three teens embark upon a cross-country journey in order to escape from a society that salvages body parts from children ages thirteen to eighteen.
Daughter of Smoke and Bone by L. Taylor. Seventeen-year-old Karou, a lovely, enigmatic art student in a Prague boarding school, carries a sketchbook of hideous, frightening monsters—the chimaerae who form the only family she has ever known.

The Monstrumologist by R. Yancey. In 1888, twelve-year-old Will Henry chronicles his apprenticeship with Dr. Warthrop, a scientist who hunts and studies real-life monsters, as they discover and attempt to destroy a pod of Anthropophagi.

Atticus Weaver and his Triumphant Leap From Outcast to Hero and Back Again by A. Powe. Atticus has always been an outcast at school, until one day when he decides to help his worst enemy in the name of truth and learns what it means to be a true hero.

Flygirl by S. Smith. During World War II, a light-skinned African American girl “passes” for white in order to join the Women Airforce Service Pilots.

The Night Tourist by K. Marsh. Fourteen-year-old Jack Perdu, a prodigy of classical mythology, suffers a near-fatal accident after which he meets Euri, a young ghost who introduces him to New York’s ghostly underworld, eight levels below Grand Central Station, where he decides to look for his mother who disappeared years earlier.

Enthusiasm by P. Shulman. Julie and Ashleigh, high school sophomores and Jane Austen fans, seem to fall for the same Mr. Darcy-like boy and struggle to hide their true feelings from one another while rehearsing for a school musical.

The Eye of Minds by J. Dasher. Michael is a skilled internet gamer in a world of advanced technology. When a cyber-terrorist begins to threaten players, Michael is called upon to seek him and his secrets out.

Bullyville by F. Prose. After the death of his estranged father in the World Trade Center on September 11th, thirteen-year-old Bart, still struggling with feelings of guilt, sorrow and loss, wins a scholarship to the local preparatory school and encounters a vicious bully whose cruelty compounds the aftermath of the tragedy.

A Time to Dance by P. Venkatraman. In India, a girl who excels at Bharatanatyam dance refuses to give up after losing a leg in an accident.

The Dark Days of Hamburger Halpin by J. Berk. When Will Halpin transfers from his all-deaf school into a mainstream Pennsylvania high school, he faces discrimination and bullying, but still manages to solve a mystery surrounding the death of a popular football player in his class.

Wonder by R.J Polacio. Ten-year-old Auggie Pullman, who was born with extreme facial abnormalities and was not expected to survive, goes from being home-schooled to entering fifth grade at a private middle school in Manhattan, which entails enduring the taunts and fear of his classmates as he struggles to be seen as just another student.

The Namesake by J. Lahiri. A Young man born of Indian parents in America struggles with issues of identity from his teens to his thirties.

Soul Enchilada by D. Gill. 18-year-old Bug Smoot, having just learned that her grandfather has given away both her car and her soul in a deal with the Devil, has 2 days to come up with a way to outsmart the Prince of Darkness.

Swallowing Stones by J. MacDonald. Dual perspectives reveal the aftermath of 17-year-old Michael MacKenzie’s birthday celebration when he discharges an antique rifle and unknowingly kills the father of a high school classmate.
**NONFICTION:**

*The Impossible Knife of Memory* by Anderson. Hayley Kincaid and her father move back to their hometown to try a 'normal' life, but the horrors he saw in the war threaten to destroy their lives.

*We Beat the Street* by Davis. Shares anecdotes from the childhoods, teen years, and young adult lives of three men from Newark, New Jersey, who made a pledge to each other in high school to stay safe from drugs, gangs, and crime, and work to become doctors—a goal they have successfully achieved.

*I Am Malala* by Yousafzai. Malala Yousafzai’s describes her fight for education for girls under Taliban rule, the support she received from her parents to pursue an education, and how the Taliban retaliated against her by trying to kill her.

*Mr. Lincoln’s High Tech War* by Allen. Mr. Lincoln’s high-tech war: how the North used the telegraph, railroads, surveillance balloons, iron-clads, high-powered weapons, and more to win the Civil War.

*The Bronte Sisters* by Reef. Explores the turbulent lives of these literary siblings and the oppressive times in which they lived.

*Unbroken* by L. Hillenbrand. On a May afternoon in 1943, an Army Air Forces bomber crashed into the Pacific Ocean and disappeared, leaving only a spray of debris and a slick of oil, gasoline, and blood. Then, on the ocean surface, a face appeared—Lt. Louis Zamperini. Captured by the Japanese and driven to the limits of endurance, Zamperini would answer desperation with ingenuity; suffering with hope, resolve, and humor.

*Chinese Cinderella* by A. Yen Mah. The author paints an authentic portrait of 20th century China while telling the story of her painful childhood and her courage and ultimate triumph over despair.

*Friday Night Lights* by H Bessinger. Follows the 1988 season of the Permian Panthers, a high school football team in Odessa, Texas, exploring the lives of the players and the impact of the championship team on the small town.

*Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by R. Skloot. Story of the the family of Henrietta Lacks who found out after her death, that cells were removed from her cervix without permission, to create the immortal cell HeLa.

*On Writing* by S. King. King’s advice is grounded in his vivid memories from childhood through his emergence as a writer, from his struggling early career to his near-fatal accident in 1999 – and how link between writing and living spurred his writing career.

*Outliers: Story of Success* by M. Gladwell. The author explores why some people are high schiers and others are not, citing culture, family, and upbringing as possible reasons some people are not as successful as others.

*Where Men Win Glory* by J Krakauer. The tragic story of former NFL player Pat Tillman, killed by friendly fire in Afghanistan in 2004, highlights his remarkable character and personality and examines the circumstances surrounding his death.

**IF YOU LIKE BOOKS IN A SERIES TRY THESE:**

Ashes trilogy by I. Bick: *Ashes, Shadows, Monsters* (survival/zombies)

Century Quartet by P. Baccalario: *Ring of Fire, Star of Stone, City of Wind, Dragon of Seas* (fantasy, good/evil)

Paranormalcy series by K. White: *Paranormalcy, Supernaturally, Endlessly* (fantasy/prophecies)

Unraveling series by E. Norris: *Unraveling, Unbreakable* (schools/terrorism)

Across the Universe Trilogy by B. Revis: *Across the Universe, A Million Suns, Shades of Earth* (science fiction)
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Daughter of Smoke + Bone by L. Taylor: *Daughter of Smoke and Bone; Days of Blood and Starlight* (angels/mythology)

Immortal Beloved by C. Tiernan: *Immortal Beloved; Darkness Falls, Eternally Yours* (immortality)

The Cronus Chronicles by A. Ursu: *The Shadow Thieves, The Siren Song, The Immortal Fire* (fantasy)

Graceling series by K. Cashore: *Bitterblue, Fire, Graceling* (fantasy/magic)

Shiver Trilogy by M. Stiefvater: Shiver, Linger, Forever. (metamorphosis/wolves)


Delirium by L. Oliver: *Delirium, Pandemonium* (romance)

Legend series by M. Lu: *Legend, Prodigy*

The Tillerman’s by C. Voight: *Homecoming, Dicey’s Song, A Solitary Blue, The Runner, Come a Stranger, Sons from Afar, Seventen Against the Dealer* (Family life/survival)

The Giver series by L. Lowry: *The Giver, Gathering Blue, Messenger, Son* (science fiction)


Matched Trilogy by A. Condie: *Matched, Crossed, Reached* (dystopia)

Birthmarked Trilogy by C. O’Brien: *Birthmarked, Prized, Promised* (dystopia)
Incoming 11th Grade English - Honors
Summer Reading 2019

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1. The Things They Carried, by Tim O’Brien
2. Color of Water, by James McBride
3. Fahrenheit 451, by Ray Bradbury
4. The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain
5. O Pioneers by Willa Cather
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Born A Crime by Trevor Noah
But What if We’re Wrong by Chuck Klosterman
The Omnivore’s Dilemma by Michael Pollan
The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot
Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil by John Berendt
Outliers by Malcolm Gladwell
Educated by Tara Westover
Incoming 12th Grade English - College Prep
Summer Reading-2019

Incoming 12th grade students will read *The Invisible Man* by H.G. Wells. All incoming English 1V-CP students will be given this book at the end of their junior year.

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Incoming 12th Grade English - Honors
Summer Reading – 2019

(Students who do not do the summer reading will be taken out of the honors program)

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Jane Eyre-Charlotte Brontë.
Hard Times – Charles Dickens
Invisible Man-H.G. Well
Incoming 12th Grade English - AP
Summer Reading – 2019

(Students who do not do the summer reading will be taken out of the AP program)

English IV-AP has a summer reading requirement of five works of literature to be completed prior to the start of school in September. The list is divided into two groups: mandatory and student choice. In September, the students will be asked to write an essay, create a project, and take a test on the books. This work will count as two test grades. Login into Google Classroom using codes: 3ccfr3 or t2vgka0

MANDATORY LIST:
Pride and Prejudice - Jane Austen
Gulliver's Travels - Jonathan Swift
The Invisible Man by H.G. Wells

STUDENTS CHOICE LIST: (Read one book from EACH sub list)

*British Novels

Heart of Darkness by Joseph Conrad
Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe
The Return of the Native by Thomas Hardy
Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte
Hard Times by Charles Dickens

*Drama

The Misanthrope by Moliere
The Importance of Being Earnest by Oscar Wilde
Cyrano de Bergerac by Edmond Rostand
As You Like It by William Shakespeare
Two Gentlemen of Verona by William Shakespeare