

# Upper School Summer Reading



## 2026-2027 Summer Reading requirements:

- ALL ENGLISH CLASSES ARE REQUIRED TO READ TWO NOVELS. In-class essays will be assigned to honors classes, and comprehension tests will be given to all classes during the first week of class.

<b>ALL 6<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	
<b>WONDER</b> by R.J. Palacio 978-0375869020 summer project & comprehension test	<b>The Magician's Nephew</b> by C.S. Lewis 978-0064471107 in class writing and comprehension test
<b>ALL 7<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	
<b>Maniac Magee</b> by Jerry Spinelli 978-0316809061 Summer Project and in class writing prompt	<b>The True Confessions of Charlotte Doyle</b> by Avi 978-0545477116 comprehension test and in class writing
<b>ALL 8<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	
<b>Ender's Game</b> by Orson Scott 978-1-250-77301-2 Students will complete the attached hero's journey packet for their summer reading project.	<b>Freak, the Mighty</b> by Rodman Philbrick— 978-0439286060 comprehension test and in class writing
<b>ALL 9<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	
<b>Unbroken- Adapted for Young Adults</b> by Laura Hillenbrand - 9780385742528 Comprehension Test	<b>The Last Lecture</b> by Randy Pausch 978-1401323257 In class essay
<b>ALL 10<sup>th</sup> grade Standard and Honors</b>	
<b>The Book Thief</b> by Markus Zusak 978-0375842207 978-0385474542 Comprehension Test	<b>Old Man and the Sea</b> by Hemingway 978-0684801223 in class essay and comprehension test
<b>ALL 11<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	
<b>Pride and Prejudice</b> by Jane Austen 978-0141439518 Comprehension Test and writing in-class essay	<b>Grit</b> by Angela Duckworth - 978-1501111112 Ted Talk Presentation during first 2 weeks
<b>ALL 12<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	
<b>Long Way Gone</b> – by Charles Martin 978-0718084738 Comprehension Test	<b>Wuthering Heights</b> by Emily Bronte – 978-0141439556 Comprehension test and timed essay
<b>AP Seminar 10<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	
<b>The Book Thief</b> by Markus Zusak – 978-0375842207 Comprehension Test and timed essay	<b>Educated (Part 1)</b> by Tara Westover – 978-0399590528 Comprehension test and team-based presentation on Part 1 of the book
<b>AP Language 11<sup>th</sup> grade</b>	
<b>Pride and Prejudice</b> by Jane Austen – 978-0141439518 Comprehension test and timed essay	<b>The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens</b> by Sean Covey – 978-1476764665 Comprehension test and team-based presentation

**AP Literature 12<sup>th</sup> grade**

**Long Way Gone** by Charles Martin  
– 978-0718084738  
Comprehension Test

**Wuthering Heights** by Emily Bronte  
– 978-0141439556  
Comprehension test and timed essay

**How to Read Literature Like a Professor** by Thomas C. Foster – 978-0063307742  
Read and annotate Chapters 1-10.

Projects are required for middle school grades. Directions were sent home from classroom teachers and are available on the CCA website.