# Signal Mountain Middle High School Summer Reading List

# 6<sup>th</sup> grade

Looking for a good read this summer? These texts are not required, but they will serve as good introductory texts for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum. We recommend:

Bamboo People by Mitali Perkins
The Heart of a Samurai by Margi Preus
Revolution is Not a Dinner Party by Ying Chang Compestine
Crossing the Wire by Will Hobbs
Red Scarf Girl by Ji-Li Jiang
Homeless Bird by Gloria Whelan

## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Moon over Manifest by Claire Vanderpool OR
The Pigman by Paul Zindel

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton

#### 9th Grade Honors English

Choose one (1) book from the following list for your summer reading. Complete parts 1 and 2 to have ready for the first day of school.

Memoirs of a Geisha by Arthur Golden
To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee
Catcher in the Rye by J.D. Salinger
The Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd
Into the Wild by Jon Krakauer

#### Part 1: IB Learner Profile

- 1) For the main protagonist and one additional character:
- a. What is the character's strongest IB Learner Profile trait? Explain. Justify your response with a specific example of how the character exhibited this trait. Be sure to include the direct quote and the page number. Identify at least two.
- b. What is the character's weakest IB Learner Profile trait? Explain. Justify your response with a specific example of how the character exhibited this trait. Be sure to include the direct quote and the page number. Identify at least two.

#### **Part 2: Global Contexts**

Your task is to identify which Global Contexts have been employed by the author and how each is revealed within the plot, characterization, and/or theme. Provide textual evidence and an explanation. For more information and to see a sample graphic organizer you could use, go to the Google Doc linked here:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1GvR0mRZPsVxEz2cHuNhgsiYjoStt 2U1dXrKkVBhY9A/edit?usp=sharing

## 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Honors English

Directions: Read one of the books from the list below.

The Alchemist by Paulo Coelho
Girl with the Pearl Earring by Tracy Chevalier
Monster by Walter Dean Meyers
Neverwhere by NeilGaiman
One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovish by Alexander Solzhenitsyn

## 10<sup>th</sup> Grade AP English Language and Composition

In Cold Blood by Truman Capote

See AP English Summer Reading Assignment under forms on the SMMHS Website or on the Google Doc linked below for assignment details. <a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/1K19-9kEcO1Sjd2pH8Xod4Hzn0KgJuehUTYnd6qprU64/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/document/d/1K19-9kEcO1Sjd2pH8Xod4Hzn0KgJuehUTYnd6qprU64/edit?usp=sharing</a>

### 11th Grade Honors English

The Last American Man by Elizabeth Gilbert

# 11th Grade IB English Literature

The Things They Carried by Tim O' Brien How to Read Literature Like a Professor by Thomas C. Foster

See Summer Reading on Mastin's teacher page on the SMMHS Website or on the Google Doc linked below for assignment details. <a href="https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LlGpjr4ncEHwwS5gIVP5JWXd-xTKBP\_RDi0Hims\_LCk/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LlGpjr4ncEHwwS5gIVP5JWXd-xTKBP\_RDi0Hims\_LCk/edit?usp=sharing</a>

#### 12th Grade Honors English

#### A Contemporary Memoir

Read a memoir (autobiography) written since 1970. When you return in the summer, we'll do a brief 2 week project based around how your goals/plans/dreams for the future compare or contrast to the life experience of the person you read about, so be thinking of this when you choose your text. For a partial list of suggestions, visit the following link: <a href="http://www.amazon.com/Biographies-Memoirs-Books/b?ie=UTF8&node=2">http://www.amazon.com/Biographies-Memoirs-Books/b?ie=UTF8&node=2</a>

# 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Dual Enrollment English

Silver Sparrow by Tayari Jones

## 12th Grade IB English Literature

Extended Essay Research and Writing