

Hickory Christian Academy

Rising 9th – 12th Grade Summer Reading Assignment

All HCA high school students are required to complete a summer reading assignment. This assignment is slightly different for each grade and each level within each grade. A detailed explanation of the reading for each grade and level is in the chart below. Selected books must be books that the student has **not read before**. After reading the required books, students must fill out a form responding to several questions regarding each book they read. **The online forms must be submitted before the first day of class to receive credit for the assignment. Links to the Google forms are on this page.**

There are two forms: [one for fiction](#) books and [one for non-fiction](#). Please be sure to fill out the right form. It might be helpful to compose the answers for the form in a word processor and then copy them into the Google form so as to prevent a loss of data if you lose internet connection while filling the form.

Each student will have one book that is required. These required books will be used in the first two weeks of class. It is imperative that the students be familiar with the content of the book when they start the year. If the book was read early in the summer, it should be reviewed before coming to class. Several of the early discussions and assessments in the class will be based on content from the required novel.

PLEASE NOTE: Parents and students are encouraged to carefully choose the book that will be read. While each of the books below has been placed on the list because of its distinct merit or its distinguished reputation, many of the books are not written from a Christian worldview and contain elements that conflict with Christian behavior, values, and thought. Books that deal substantially with such elements are marked with an asterisk.

This assignment does not need to be a financial burden. Most of these books are available in print and electronic versions through the public library system. If a student cannot find a book, HCA's English teachers have access to extra copies of some of the books. Students who wait until the last weeks of summer to ask will have far fewer options available.

Book Requirements:

9th Grade	English I Read <i>Huckleberry Finn</i> by Mark Twain.	Honors English I Read <i>Huckleberry Finn</i> by Mark Twain and select one book from the list.
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10th Grade	English II Read <i>Julius Caesar</i> by Shakespeare	Honors English II Read <i>Julius Caesar</i> and one book selected from the list
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11th Grade	English III Read <i>Macbeth</i> by Shakespeare	Honors English III <i>Macbeth</i> and one book from the list	AP English Language Read <i>Macbeth</i> by Shakespeare and 2 books selected from the list that are marked with this symbol †.
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12th Grade	English IV <i>Wuthering Heights</i> by Emily Brontë	English IV <i>Wuthering Heights</i> and one book from the list	AP English Literature <i>Wuthering Heights</i> and 2 books selected from the list that are marked with this symbol ‡.
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[Book List](#)