

Sophomore Summer Reading List 2010

Each student entering **Grade 10 CP** will choose any **two (2) books** from the following list; for each student entering **Grade 10 Honors** choose any **three (3) books**.

For each book chosen, **hand write** a reading log using three-hole punched loose leaf paper. Set-up the reading log with your name, date, title of book (underlined), author, and total pages in the book.

Reading logs must be handwritten or hand printed; **no typed Reading Logs will be accepted**. Complete a reading log entry for every ten (10) pages of the book. Label each entry with the date and page numbers you have read. Write three (3) to four (4) sentences summarizing the pages read.

Grading is based on completeness, neatness, formatting, and following directions!

Students must read the book by the author listed or suffer low/failing grades; tests are on actual unabridged book by author listed.

Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by *Sherman Alexie**

Budding cartoonist Junior leaves his troubled school on the Spokane Indian Reservation to attend an all white farm town school where the only other Indian is the school mascot.

Ask Me No Questions by *Marina Budhos**

Fourteen year old Nadira, her sister, and their parents leave Bangladesh for New York City, but the expiration of their visas and the events of September 11, 2001, bring frustration, sorrow, and terror for the whole family.

Book Thief by *Marcus Zusak**

Trying to make sense of horrors of World War II, Death relates the story of Liesel—a young German girl whose book-stealing and story-telling talents help sustain her family and the Jewish man they are hiding, as well as their neighbors.

Bottled Up: A Novel by *Jaye Murray**

A high school boy comes to term with his drug addiction, life with an alcoholic father, and a younger brother who looks up to him.

Buried Onions by *Gary 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.

Call Waiting by *R.L. Stine**

Someone is calling Karen to tell her the plans they've made just for her. Poor Karen, she's all alone now. And if Karen can't trace the killer caller, she's going to die.

Cujo by *Stephen King**

Cujo, a two hundred pound Saint Bernard, becomes infected with rabies and kills four people in Maine.

Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time by *Mark Haddon**

Christopher, a mathematically-gifted but socially challenged autistic teen, uncovers secrets about his own family while investigating the murder of a neighbor's dog.

Fallen Angels by *Walter Dean Myers**

Seventeen year old Richie Perry, just out of his Harlem high school, enlists in the Army in the summer of 1967 and spends a devastating year on active duty in Vietnam.

Girl With a Pearl Earring by *Tracey Chevalier**

The possible story behind the relationship between seventeenth century Dutch painter Johannes Vermeer and the girl in his famous painting, 'Girl With a Pearl Earring.'

Looking For Alaska: A Novel by *John Green**

Sixteen year old Miles' first year at Culver Creek Preparatory School in Alabama includes good friends and great pranks, but is defined by the search for answers about life and death after a fatal car crash.

Paper Towns by *John Green**

One month before graduating from his Central Florida high school, Quentin 'Q' Jacobsen basks in the predictable boringness of his life until the beautiful and exciting Margo Roth Spiegelman, Q's neighbor and classmate, takes him on a midnight adventure and then mysteriously disappears.

Romiette and Julio by *Sharon Draper**

Romiette, an African American girl, and Julio, a Hispanic boy, discover that they attend the same high school after falling in love on the Internet, but are harassed by a gang whose members object to their interracial dating.

Shattering Glass by *Gail Giles**

Rob, the charismatic leader of the senior class, provokes unexpected violence when he turns the school nerd into Prince Charming.

Size 12 Is Not Fat by *Meg Cabot**

Assistant dorm director Heather Wells investigates the mysterious deaths of several students when neither the police nor her colleagues believe they are the victims of foul play.

Slam! by *Walter Dean Myers**

Sixteen year old 'Slam' Harris is counting on his noteworthy basketball talents to get him out of the inner city and give him a chance to succeed in life, but his coach sees things differently.

Thirteen Reasons Why by *Jay Asher**

High school student Clay Jenkins receives a box in the mail containing seven cassette tapes recorded by his crush, Hannah Baker, who committed suicide, and spends a bewildering and heartbreaking night crisscrossing their town, listening to Hannah's voice recounting the events leading up to her death.

Tree Grows In Brooklyn by *Betty Smith**

Young Francie Nolan experiences the problems of growing up in a Brooklyn, New York slum.

Walk to Remember by *Nicholas Sparks**

When a twist of fate makes Jamie Sullivan, his date at the homecoming dance, Landon Carter never dreamed they would fall in love, but as he comes to realize his true feelings for Jamie, he learns of a terrible secret that will take his love away from him forever.