

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE SUMMER READING REQUIREMENT

Summer Reading is an extension of the District curricula designed to enhance student capabilities in the single most important skill needed for success in school, critical thinking. The program also encourages the student to find enjoyment in reading to assure a life-long passion to explore and discover through reading and research. Please utilize the following to complete the requirements prior to returning to school in September:

9TH and 10TH GRADE - Follow instructions listed on the Summer Reading packet. Complete the reading logs and be prepared for the Accelerated Reader test on each book. The classroom teacher will provide the schedule for test completion when we return to school.

11TH and 12TH GRADE - You may still pick-up books in the main office, Monday - Friday, 8:30 - 2:30. Read each selection diligently and complete a critical analysis by notating the following:

- Important settings (include time period, geographical locations etc.)
- Important characters,
- themes the author is trying to convey and the effectiveness of the presentation,
- Use of literary conventions (symbolism, metaphors, etc) and how the use relates to or supports the author's message,
- Write a brief summary (no more than 2-3 paragraphs) of the important events in the story. Include how each event helped shape the story and how each event was important to the presentation of the themes.

Complete the readings and critical analysis and be prepared for classroom assignments. The classroom teacher will determine the schedule for completion of each assignment.