May 1, 2020

Dear Students and Parents,

The mission of the CHS Summer Reading Program is:

- to encourage a love of reading by providing selections that not only have literary merit but are engaging and relatable as well.
- to foster the critical thinking and writing skills our students need to be successful.
- to teach students to engage in constructive dialogue that is respectful, honest, and mature.

This year, CHS is requiring Summer Reading only for English courses. There will not be a Big Read. Each student will read one or more books in preparation for the English class in which he is enrolled for the 2020-2021 school year. Students will complete class assignments and participate in discussions which will assess a student’s engagement with the course-specific summer reading.

We encourage each of you, as the young man’s first and most influential teacher, to be involved in your son’s book selection(s), read with him this summer, and engage him in meaningful conversation.

**Instructions:**

1. Using the enclosed list, follow the directions for the English course in which you are enrolled for the 2020-2021 school year.
2. Enjoy and come to CHS in August ready to discuss the material with your teachers and classmates.

We look forward to seeing you in August.

Sincerely,

Tracy Ducote, Ed. S.
English Department Chairperson
English Department Summer Reading

ENGLISH 8
Choose ONE:
- *Murder on the Orient Express* by Agatha Christie
- *Running for My Life* by Warrick Dunn

ENGLISH I and I Honors
Choose ONE:
- *Enclave* by Ann Aguirre
- *Peak* by Roland Smith
- *Through My Eyes* by Tim Tebow
- *The Chocolate War* by Robert Cormier

ENGLISH II
Read *American Born Chinese* by Gene Luen Yang

ENGLISH II Honors
Choose ONE:
- *Alas, Babylon* by Pat Frank
- *Flowers for Algernon* by Daniel Keyes

ENGLISH III and III Honors
Choose ONE:
- *Big Fish* by Daniel Wallace
- *Twisted* by Laurie Halse Anderson

AP LANGUAGE
Two selections will be assigned at a May meeting with the instructor.

ENGLISH IV
Choose ONE:
- *The Book Thief* by Marcus Zusak
- *The Hunchback of Notre Dame* by Victor Hugo

ENGLISH DUAL ENROLLMENT
Read *Outliers* by Malcolm Gladwell

ENGLISH IV Honors
Read BOTH of these:
- *The Prime of Ms. Jean Brodie* by Muriel Spark
- *Ivanhoe* by Walter Scott

AP LITERATURE
Two selections will be assigned at a May meeting with the instructor.

ENGLISH V Honors
Two selections will be assigned at a May meeting with the instructor.