

### Summer Reading Assignments/Projects

**SUMMER ASSIGNMENTS:** Students are expected to complete their reading and all other assignments prior to the first day of school, August 8, 2023. Any exceptions to this deadline will be noted in the project or assignment directions. All information concerning summer assignments is posted on the HVA website.

**ENGLISH:** All **English** classes require a summer assignment. The books selected for required reading for English classes have been approved by Knox County Schools and are listed below.

**HONORS AND ADVANCED PLACEMENT:** Advanced Placement assignments are available on the school website.

### English Outside Reading Assignments for 2023-2024

The works denoted below with an asterisk may contain controversial content—language, violence, or mature situations. We encourage parents to collect as much information as possible about the novels if content may be a concern. Websites like

<http://commonsensemedia.org> have synopses and are designed to help parents make appropriate decisions about what their child is ready to read. These synopses are posted on our website. Alternate titles are available for all of these works; parents must request these through the school office. Students in 10-12 CP English classes are required to read **two novels**. The first, a graphic novel, is mandatory. For their second novel, they may choose any of the three other novels listed for their grade level.

9 Honors	<b>Mandatory Reads:</b> <b>Read one realistic young adult book by one of the following authors:</b> Jason Reynolds, Elizabeth Acevedo, Becky Albertalli, Adam Silvera, Nic Stone, Julie Murphy, Neal Shusterman, Matt de la Peña & <i>*How to Read Literature Like a Professor</i> – Thomas Foster Chapters 16 and 17 of <i>How to Read Literature Like a Professor</i> contain sensitive content but will not be discussed in class. Students may safely skip these chapters without fear of penalty.
10 CP	<b>Mandatory Read:</b> <i>American Born Chinese</i> – Gene Luen Yang <b>Also, Choose One Among:</b> <i>The Other Wes Moore: One Name, Two Fates</i> – Wes Moore <i>*Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe</i> – Benjamin Alire Sáenz <i>*Mosquitoland</i> – David Arnold
10 Honors	<b>Mandatory Reads:</b> <i>*Brave New World</i> – Aldous Huxley & <i>Pride and Prejudice</i> – Jane Austen
11 CP	<b>Mandatory Read:</b> <i>March: Book One</i> – John Lewis, Andrew Aydin, and Nate Powell <b>Also, Choose One Among:</b> <i>I am Malala</i> – Malala Yousafzai <i>The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks</i> – E. Lockhart <i>*The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn</i> – Mark Twain
12 CP	<b>Mandatory Read:</b> <i>Steve Jobs: Insanely Great</i> – Jesse Hartland <b>Also, Choose One Among:</b> <i>The Girls of Atomic City: The Untold Story of the Women Who Helped Win World War II</i> – Denise Kiernan <i>The Adoration of Jenna Fox</i> – Mary E. Pearson <i>The Island of Dr. Moreau</i> – H. G. Wells
11 AP Lang.	See attached assignment.
12 AP Lit	<b>Mandatory Reads:</b> <i>The Great Gatsby</i> –F. Scott Fitzgerald <i>A Raisin in the Sun</i> –Lorraine Hansberry*
AP Research	<b>Mandatory Read:</b> <i>Think Like a Freak: The Authors of Freakonomics Offer to Retrain Your Brain</i> – Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner

AP Seminar	<b>Mandatory Read:</b> <i>Think Like a Freak: The Authors of Freakonomics Offer to Retrain Your Brain</i> – Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner