

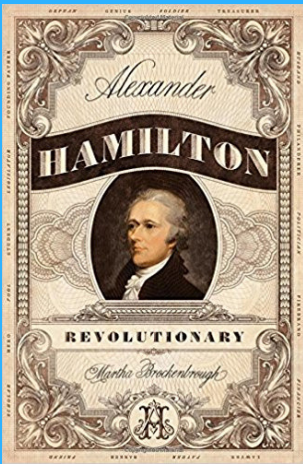


2018 FARRAGUT HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER READING

Choose **one book** from this list that you are interested in reading (AP and Honors English students may also select their assigned English book, except for *How to Read Literature Like a Professor*.) Then complete the assessment and relax! Have a great summer!

Alexander Hamilton, Revolutionary

by Martha Brockenbrough



Genre: Non-Fiction

Pricing: \$11.59 on Amazon

Synopsis: A must read for *Hamilton* fans! The "ten-dollar founding father without a father" comes alive in this new biography. Discover Alexander Hamilton's incredible true story: his brilliant scholarship and military career; his groundbreaking and enduring policy, which shapes American government today; his scandalous personal life; and his heartrending end.

Potentially Controversial Content: mention of the Reynolds affair, mention of prostitution, drinking by of-age characters, violence during Revolutionary War, dueling

Burning Midnight

by Will McIntosh



Genre: Fiction, Science Fiction

Pricing: \$9.99 on Amazon

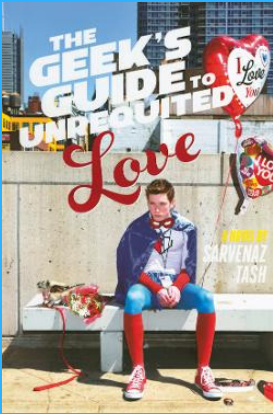
Synopsis: Recommended for fans of *The Maze Runner* and *The Fifth Wave*. No one knows where the brilliant-colored spheres came from. One day they were just there, hidden all over the earth like huge gemstones. Burn a pair and they make you a little better: an inch taller, skilled at math, better-looking. But why are they here--and, more importantly, where did they come from?

"*Burning Midnight* is for (1) adrenaline junkies and gamers, (2) obsessive collectors, and (3) people who can't get enough of crazy endings. I'm all of these things, and I loved it."
—Margaret Stohl, New York Times bestselling author of *Black Widow*

Potentially Controversial Content: violence, kissing, mention of teen drinking, language, LGBTQ references

The Geek's Guide to Unrequited Love

by Sarvenez Tash



Genre: Fiction, Realistic Fiction, Humorous Fiction

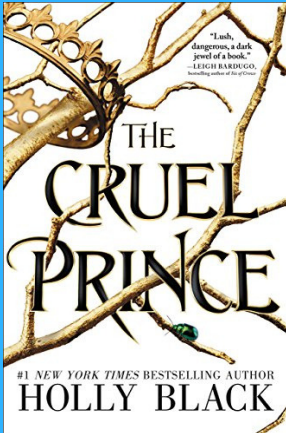
Pricing: \$10.44 on Amazon

Synopsis: Graham and Roxana have been best friends for eight years, ever since Roxy asked Graham what Hogwarts house he would be sorted into. They have grown together through various fandoms and into a love of comic books, so much so that they have teamed together to write their own comic. Once Graham learns that the creator of their favorite comic will make his first public appearance in 20 years at the New York Comic Con, Graham knows they have to go. He also decides this is the perfect opportunity to tell Roxy he loves her. But once Comic Con actually starts, nothing goes as planned, and Graham is left questioning his decision to confess his feelings.

Potentially Controversial Content: discussion of gender identity

The Cruel Prince

by Holly Black



Genre: Fiction, Fantasy

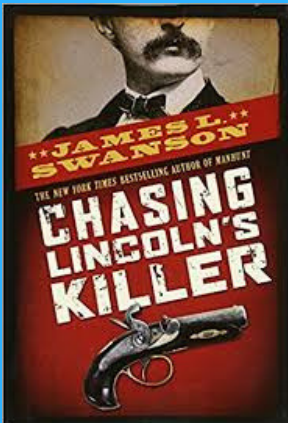
Pricing: \$4.99 on Amazon

Synopsis: By #1 New York Times bestselling author Holly Black, the first book in a stunning new series about a mortal girl who finds herself caught in a web of royal faerie intrigue while trying to win a place in the treacherous High Court of Faerie.

Potentially Controversial Content: mild language, teens drinking magical potions that make them appear inebriated, kissing, bullying, LGBTQ references

Chasing Lincoln's Killer

by James Swanson



Genre: Non-Fiction

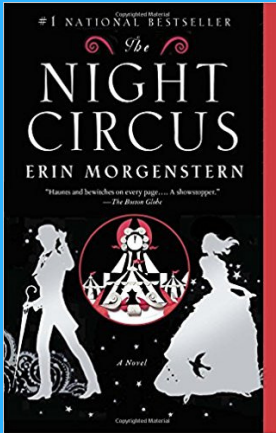
Pricing: \$10.80 on Amazon

Synopsis: History and true crime fans will enjoy this historical thriller. *Chasing Lincoln's Killer* recounts the twelve-day pursuit and capture of John Wilkes Booth, covering the chase through Washington D.C., Maryland, and Virginia, with a discussion of Abraham Lincoln as a father, husband, and friend that examines the impact of his death on those close to him.

Potentially Controversial Content: deals with Lincoln's assassination and the aftermath in detail

The Night Circus

by Erin Morgenstern



Genre: Fiction, Fantasy

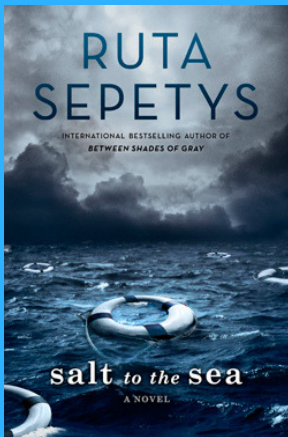
Pricing: \$11.43 on Amazon

Synopsis: The circus arrives without warning. No announcements precede it. It is simply there, when yesterday it was not. Within the black-and-white striped canvas tents is an utterly unique experience full of breathtaking amusements. It is called Le Cirque des Reves, and it is only open at night. But behind the scenes, a fierce competition is underway: a duel between two young magicians, Celia and Marco. Despite the high stakes, Celia and Marco soon tumble headfirst into love, setting off a domino effect of dangerous consequences, and leaving the lives of everyone, from the performers to the patrons, hanging in the balance.

Potentially Controversial Content: magic, good vs. evil, drinking and smoking by of-age characters, implied relations, LGBTQ references, some language

Salt to the Sea

by Ruta Sepetys



Genre: Fiction, Historical Fiction

Pricing: \$9.89 on Amazon

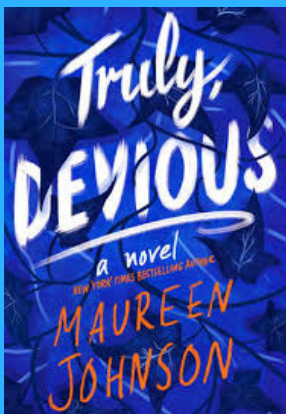
Synopsis:

Winter 1945. WWII. Four refugees. Four stories. Each one born of a different homeland; each one hunted, and haunted, by tragedy, lies, war. As thousands desperately flock to the coast in the midst of a Soviet advance, four paths converge, vying for passage aboard the Wilhelm Gustloff, a ship that promises safety and freedom. But not all promises can be kept...Based on "the forgotten tragedy that was six times deadlier than the Titanic. This book is written by a Tennessee author.

Potentially Controversial Content: horrors of war

Truly Devious

by Maureen Johnson



Genre: Fiction, Realistic Fiction, Mystery

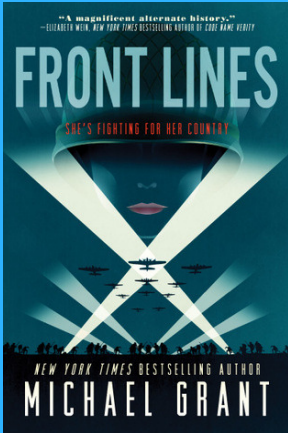
Pricing: \$13.46 on Amazon

Synopsis: Stevie Bell is a dyed-in-the-wool true-crime buff. And what better place to deepen her understanding than at Ellingham Academy, the Vermont private school founded in the 1930s by wealthy eccentric Albert Ellingham? Shortly after the school opened, his wife and daughter were kidnapped. The only real clue was a mocking riddle listing methods of murder, signed with the frightening pseudonym, Truly Devious. It became one of the great unsolved crimes of American history. But something strange is happening. Truly Devious makes a surprise return, and death revisits Ellingham Academy. Someone has gotten away with murder. Can Stevie solve the case?

Potentially Controversial Content: violence, student deaths (most occurring in the past,) LGBTQ references

Front Lines

by Michael Grant



Genre: Fiction, Speculative Fiction, Historical Fiction

Pricing: \$6.98 on Amazon

Synopsis: World War II, 1942. A court decision makes women subject to the draft and eligible for service. The unproven American army is going up against the greatest fighting force ever assembled, the armed forces of Nazi Germany. Three girls sign up to fight. Rio Richlin, Frangie Marr, and Rainy Schulterman are average girls, girls with dreams and aspirations, at the start of their lives, at the start of their loves. Each has her own reasons for volunteering: Rio fights to honor her sister; Frangie needs money for her family; Rainy wants to kill Germans. For the first time they leave behind their homes and families—to go to war.

Potentially Controversial Content: strong language, violence of war/threat of rape due to war, ethnic/racial slurs in historic context

Outrun the Moon

by Stacey Lee



Genre: Fiction, Historical Fiction

Pricing: \$10.04 on Amazon

Synopsis: Fifteen-year-old Mercy Wong is determined to break from the poverty of Chinatown, San Francisco in 1906, and an education at St. Clare's School for Girls is her best hope. Although St. Clare's is off-limits to all but the wealthiest white girls, Mercy gains admittance through a mix of cunning and a little bribery, only to discover that getting in was the easiest part. Not to be undone by a bunch of spoiled heiresses, Mercy stands strong—until disaster strikes. On April 18, a historic earthquake rocks San Francisco, destroying Mercy's home and school. Though fires might rage, and the city may be in shambles, Mercy can't sit by while they wait for the army to bring help. But what can one teenage girl do to heal so many suffering in her broken city?

Potentially Controversial Content: racial epithets in historic context

The Librarian of Auschwitz

by Antonio Iturbe



Genre: Fiction, Historical Fiction

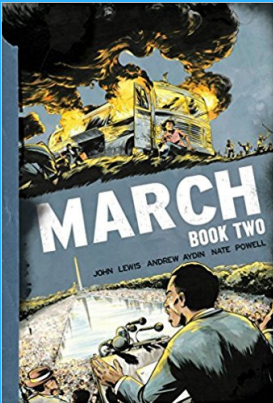
Pricing: \$15.14 on Amazon

Synopsis: Fourteen-year-old Dita is one of the many imprisoned by the Nazis at Auschwitz. Taken, along with her mother and father, from the Terezin ghetto in Prague, Dita is adjusting to the constant terror that is life in the camp. When Jewish leader Freddy Hirsch asks Dita to take charge of the eight precious volumes the prisoners have managed to sneak past the guards, she agrees. And so Dita becomes the librarian of Auschwitz. Out of one of the darkest chapters of human history comes this extraordinary story of courage and hope.

Potentially Controversial Content: grim reality of the Holocaust, sometimes graphic violence

March Book Two

by John Lewis, Andrew Aydin, and Nate Powell



Genre: Non-Fiction, Graphic Novel

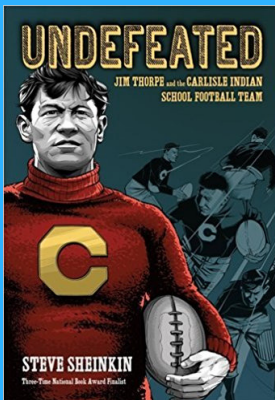
Pricing: \$6.98 on Amazon

Synopsis: After the success of the Nashville sit-in campaign in *March Book One*, John Lewis is more committed than ever to changing the world through nonviolence — but as he and his fellow Freedom Riders board a bus into the vicious heart of the Deep South, they will be tested like never before. Faced with beatings, police brutality, imprisonment, arson, and even murder, the movement's young activists place their lives on the line while internal conflicts threaten to tear them apart. But their courage will attract the notice of powerful allies, from Martin Luther King, Jr. to Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy, as John Lewis becomes one of the “Big Six” leaders of the civil rights movement and a central figure in the landmark 1963 March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom.

Potentially Controversial Content: strong language, racial epithets in historic context, smoking, violence due to racism, police brutality during Civil Rights movement

Undefeated: Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian Football Team

by Steve Sheinkin



Genre: Non-Fiction, Sports

Pricing: \$10.04 on Amazon

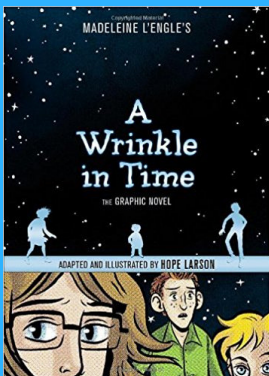
Synopsis: Undefeated: Jim Thorpe and the Carlisle Indian School Football Team is an astonishing underdog sports story, as well as an unflinching look at the U.S. government's violent persecution of Native Americans and the school that was designed to erase Indian cultures. It's the story of a group of young men who came together at the Carlisle Indian Industrial School, the overwhelming obstacles they faced both on and off the field, and their absolute refusal to accept defeat. Called "the team that invented football," they took on the best opponents of their day, defeating much more privileged schools such as Harvard and the Army in a series of breathtakingly close calls, genius plays, and bone-crushing hard work.

Potentially Controversial Content: smoking and drinking by characters of age, mild language, historic oppression of native peoples

Madeleine L'Engle's A Wrinkle in Time

(graphic novel version)

by Hope Larson



Genre: Fiction, Fantasy, Science Fiction, Graphic Novel

Pricing: \$12.59 on Amazon

Synopsis: A graphic novel adaptation of *A Wrinkle in Time* in which Meg Murry, her brother Charles, and their friend Calvin, embark on a journey through space and time, assisted by three otherworldly women, when they set out to find Meg's father, a physicist who disappeared while experimenting with time travel.

Potentially Controversial Content: religious viewpoint

2018 Summer Reading Contests

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3. Visit your Admiral library in August to share what book you chose for the chance to win a prize!
4. Take the short summer reading survey at the end of your summer reading assessment for the chance to win a prize!

