Nashville School of the Arts

S U M M E R (GET AHEAD) R E A D I N G L I S T (2012-2013)

General Information:

Please check the web site for final decisions on Summer Reading. http://www.nsahs.mnps.org/

*Read all books listed for the specific class you will take.
*Be sure you read the ACTUAL NOVEL – reading Cliff's Notes, Internet summaries, etc., will not be sufficient.
*Alternative books are listed for those who may be unable for religious or personal reasons to read an assigned selection. Remember, you may only read the alternative selection if it is impossible philosophically for you to read the assigned book. Note that these alternatives are neither shorter nor easier than the assigned works.
*On the first day of school you will be given the dates for specific assignments and tests on your summer reading. The written work required for AP Lang III and 12th Honors and AP is noted here:

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12th Grade Honors & AP A 1,500 word journal will be required for each selection. For CATCHER, write 500 words on the novel's plot, 500 on character, and 500 on your personal reaction to the novel; these will be due on the first Monday after school begins. AP students should discuss as many of the MYTHOLOGY stories and/or characters as possible in 1500 words; these journals will be due about two weeks later. You will be tested on each book on the day that novel's journals are due.

11th Grade Read the *Narrative of Frederick Douglass* & complete a typed dialectical journal. The journal directions & Word template are online with links to the audio book & online book. Other types of journals will not be accepted. Also, read the *Elements of Style, 4th Edition* (Strunk & White) & type a list of the best 50 facts you learned in MLA format. You are to be well-versed in MLA before entering AP III. You must go to www.apeng3.com for complete instructions & documents.

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Ninth Grade

Standard: ***The Outsiders*** (S.E. Hinton)
Honors: ***The Outsiders*** (S.E. Hinton) + ***Great Expectations*** Chapters 1 - 19 ***** (Charles Dickens)

Alternative Selection: ***Staying Fat for Sarah Byrnes*** (Chris Crutcher) *May not be replaced with alternate

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Tenth Grade

Standard: ***Fahrenheit 451 **** (Ray Bradbury)
Honors: ***Fahrenheit 451**** (Ray Bradbury) + ***Night*** (Elie Weisel)
Alternative Selection: ***Hard Times*** (Charles Dickens) *May not be replaced with alternate

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Eleventh Grade

Standard: ***The Things They Carried*** (Tim O'Brien)
Honors: ***The Things They Carried*** (Tim O'Brien) + ***A Farewell to Arms*** (E.Hemingway)
11th Grade AP Language: **Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass** (F. Douglass) (dialectical journal)
+ **The Elements of Style (4th Edition)** (by Strunk & White) (List 50 facts you learn)

Refer to www.apeng3.com for specific information for AP Language Summer Reading.

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Twelfth Grade

Standard: ***Catcher in the Rye*** (J.D. Salinger)
Honors: ***The Catcher in the Rye*** (J. D. Salinger) + ***A Lesson Before Dying*** (Ernest Gaines)
12th Grade AP Literature: ***The Catcher in the Rye*** (J. D. Salinger) + ***Mythology**** (Edith Hamilton)

Alternative Selection: ***The Sound and the Fury*** (William Faulkner) *May not be replaced with alternate