

Leon High School Summer Reading 2019

Many of this year's reading selections were taken from the **Florida Association for Media in Education Florida Teens Read** book list for 2018-19. Additional titles are provided by your English teachers as books that we consider must-reads. **The mission of our summer reading is to encourage students to read enjoyable, quality literature that will stimulate imagination, awaken curiosity, expand horizons, enhance verbal fluency, and foster critical thinking and a lifelong love for reading and learning.**



Florida Teens Read nominates ten to fifteen books per year. The books nominated were chosen to:

- ❖ Engage high school students
- ❖ Reflect interests of high school students
- ❖ Represent a variety of genres, formats, reading levels, viewpoints, and ethnic and cultural perspectives

DISCLAIMER: The books listed below are for high school students grades nine through twelve. In order to engage their interest and to provide a spur to critical thinking, the book selections include those that involve sensitive issues. The content of some of the titles may be more mature than younger students may have previously encountered. Please recognize that this is a voluntary reading program. Not every book selected will suit every student.

Parents: Please use your judgment in helping your child choose a book that you find suitable.

Florida Teens Read 2018-2019 Book List

The Belles by Dhonielle Clayton
Daughter of the Pirate King by Tricia Levenseller
Defy the Stars by Claudia Gray
Goodbye Days by Jeff Zentner
The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas
In Other Hands by Sarah Rees Brennan
Invictus by Ryan Graudin
Letters to the Lost by Brigid Kemmerer
A List of Cages by Robin Roe
Love, Hate, & Other Filters by Samira Ahmed
My Sister Rosa by Justine Larbalestier
The One Memory of Flora Banks by Emily Barr
This is Our Story by Ashley Elston
Want by Cindy Pon
What to Say Next by Julie Buxbaum

Please follow the link below to read a brief description of each book.

<https://www.browardschools.com/cms/lib/FL01803656/Centricity/Domain/184/FTR%202018-2019%20annotated%20list%20%20pages.pdf>

Additional titles suggested by your teachers:

The Time Machine by H.G. Wells
Treasure Island by Robert Louis Stevenson
Little Women by Louisa May Alcott
Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens
Robinson Crusoe by Daniel Defoe
A Tree Grows in Brooklyn by Betty Smith
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings by Maya Angelou
Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte
Dracula by Bram Stoker
The Adventures of Tom Sawyer by Mark Twain
On the Road by Jack Kerouac
My Name is Asher Lev by Chaim Potok
The Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd

Participation in summer reading is voluntary for all grades **with the exception** of those students enrolled in AP Language and Composition, AP Literature, and Dual Enrollment through TCC for the 2019-20 school year. Students in these classes will be receiving additional information regarding their assignments.

Your assignment is to read books you find of interest and share them with your family. That's it---read and enjoy!

Enjoy your summer. We look forward to seeing you in the fall. 😊

Per School Board Policy 2240, Leon County Schools recognizes that certain instructional materials may conflict with a student's or parent's value system. In such cases, a parent may request in writing an alternative summer reading assignment. Please direct inquiries to Stacy Fabrega.