

Leon High School Summer Reading 2020

Many of this year's reading selections were taken from the **Florida Association for Media in Education Florida Teens Read** book list for 2019-20. 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 2019-2020 Book List

A Curse So Dark and Lonely by Brigid Kemmerer
After the Shot Drops by Randy Ribay
Dance of Thieves by Mary E. Pearson
The Deceivers by Kristen Simmons
Dry by Jarrod and Neal Shusterman
The 57 Bus by Dashka Slater
Moonrise by Sarah Crossan
Neanderthal Opens the Door to the Universe by Preston Norton
Not Even Bones by Rebecca Schaeffer
The Nowhere Girl by Amy Reed
The Poet X by Elizabeth Acevedo
Prince Charming by Rachel Hawkins
Sadie by Courtney Summers
This Mortal Coil by Emily Suvada
Whisper by Lynette Noni

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

http://bcpslibrarymedia.browardschools.com/uploads/1/5/2/6/15268772/florida_teens_read_-2019-2020-annotated-list.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 **except for** those students enrolled in AP Language and Composition, AP Literature, and Dual Enrollment through TCC for the 2020-21 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 friends and 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.