

# Leon High School Summer Reading 2024

Many of this year's reading selections were taken from the **Florida Association for Media in Education Florida Teens Read** book list for 2024-25. 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 presented will suit every student.

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

## Florida Teens Read 2024-2025 Book List

***Accountable: The True Story of a Racist Social Media Account and the Teenagers Whose Lives it Changed***

by Dashka Slater

***Breathe and Count Back From Ten*** by Natalia Sylvester

***Chaos Theory*** by Nic Stone

***Dear Medusa*** by Olivia Cole

***The Do-Over*** by Lynn Painter

***The Drowned Woods*** by Emily Lloyd-Jones

***Four for the Road*** by K.J. Reilly

***In Nightfall*** by Suzanne Young

***Midnight at the Houdini*** by Delilah S. Dawson

***The Name She Gave Me*** by Betty Culley

***Promise Boys*** by Nick Brooks

***Queen Bee*** by Amalie Howard

***Remember Me Gone*** by Stacy Stokes

***Seven Percent of Ro Devereaux*** by Ellen O'Clover

***You're Not Supposed to Die Tonight*** by Kalynn Bayron

Please see the Leon High School website to read a brief description of each book.

## Additional titles loved by your teachers:

*A Tree Grows in Brooklyn* by Betty Smith  
*All Quiet on the Western Front* by Erich Maria Remarque  
*The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* by Mark Twain  
*The Alchemist* by Paulo Coelho  
*Dracula* by Bram Stoker  
*The Fountainhead* by Ayn Rand  
*Hidden Figures* by Margot Lee Shetterly  
*I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings* by Maya Angelou  
*Jane Eyre* by Charlotte Bronte  
*Life of Pi* by Yann Martel  
*Little Women* by Louisa May Alcott  
*Midnight's Children* by Salman Rushdie  
*My Name is Asher Lev* by Chaim Potok  
*Oliver Twist* by Charles Dickens  
*On the Road* by Jack Kerouac  
*Robinson Crusoe* by Daniel Defoe  
*The Secret Life of Bees* by Sue Monk Kidd  
*The Time Machine* by H.G. Wells  
*Treasure Island* by Robert Louis Stevenson

Participation in summer reading is voluntary for all grades **except for** those students enrolled in AP Language and Composition and AP Literature for the 2024-25 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.