

Reading List: Summer 2021

6th-12th Summer Reading Expectations:

Research has shown that reading is probably the most important skill required for success in school. Reading over the summer improves that skill. Therefore, MSCS does require summer reading for our students.

Students should read and be ready to discuss the assigned summer reading books. These will be the starting point for classroom discussions and/or projects. Students will be expected to be able to participate in class discussions.

NOTE: For ALL English classes, students need to be prepared for discussions and tests on each book. There may be other assignments as well.

All books required for English can be found from many different sources. It is a good idea for the student to have hard copies (the actual book) as it may be required for a class assignment.

6th English: *The Hiding Place* by Corrie ten Boom
The Secret Garden by Frances Hodgson Burnett

7th English: *Johnny Tremain* by Esther Forbes
Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls

8th English: *Fever 1793* by Laurie Halse Anderson
Across Five Aprils by Irene Hunt

9th English: *Our Town* by Thornton Wilder--NOTE: This is a play, not a novel
The Old Man and the Sea by Ernest Hemingway

10th English: *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury
Farewell to Manzanar by Jeanne W. Houston and James D. Houston

11th English: *The Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne
The Red Badge of Courage by Stephen Crane

12th English: *Frankenstein* by Mary Shelley
Grendel by John Gardner

Bible

9th/10th Bible: Choose 1 out of the 3 to read--it should not be one you have already read

Mere Christianity by C.S. Lewis

Just Do Something by Kevin DeYoung

The Hole in Our Holiness by Kevin DeYoung

The Supremacy of Christ in a Postmodern World John Piper/ Justin Taylor

11th/12th Christian Interpretation

- *Amusing Ourselves to Death* by Neil Postman -- Discussion and Test
- *10 Questions Every Teen Should Ask (and Answer) about Christianity* by Rebecca McLaughlin -- Discussion and Test