

ACHS Reading List • June 2009 – June 2010

English I

Regular and Seminar summer reading – *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian* by Sherman Alexie

Honors summer reading – *Stotan* by Chris Crutcher

First Semester

Core works

Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck

Romeo and Juliet by William

Shakespeare

Second Semester

Core works

Odyssey by Homer

Fallen Angels by Walter Dean Myers

Honors – *Tale of Two Cities* by Charles Dickens

Textbook – *Holt Elements of Literature, third course*

English II

Summer reading – *Twisted* by Laurie Halse Anderson

First Semester

Optional Book (one of these):

A Separate Peace by John Knowles

The Glass Castle by Jeannette Walls

Monster (Seminar) by Walter Dean Myers

Core work - *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury

Second Semester

Shakespearian Play (choice)

Julius Caesar

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Core Novel – *Lord of the Flies* by William Golding

English III

Seminar summer reading – *Nickel and Dimed* by Barbara Ehrenreich

Regular summer reading – *From Baghdad with Love* by Jay Kopelman and Melinda Roth

Honors summer reading – *Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close* by Jonathan Safran Foer

First Semester

Core - *The Crucible* by Arthur Miller

Optional Novel

- *The Red Badge of Courage* by Stephen Crane
- *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* by Mark Twain
- *Scarlet Letter* by Nathaniel Hawthorne
- *The Autobiography of Frederick Douglass* by Frederick Douglas

Second Semester

Core novels

The Great Gatsby by F. Scott

Fitzgerald

The Catcher in the Rye by J. D.

Salinger

Independent Novel Project

Textbook – *Holt Elements of Literature, fifth course*

Senior Classes

World Literature

Summer book – *Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini

First Semester

Oedipus and *Antigone* by Sophocles
Hamlet by William Shakespeare
The Dollhouse by Henrik Ibsen

Second Semester

Count of Monte Cristo by Alexandre Dumas
The Road by Cormac McCarthy
Independent book

AP English

Summer reading – *How to Read Literature like a Professor* by Thomas Foster

First Semester

The Awakening by Kate Chopin
Ethan Frome by Edith Wharton
Oedipus and *Antigone* by Sophocles
Hamlet by William Shakespeare
Macbeth by William Shakespeare

Second Semester

Cry the Beloved Country by Alan Paton
Heart of Darkness by Joseph Conrad

Modern Literature

Summer book – *Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini

First Semester

Acceptance: A Novel by Susan Coll
In the Lake of the Woods by Tim O'Brien
Small group book

Second Semester

Nineteen Minutes by Jodi Picoult
Small group book

Senior Reading and Writing

First Semester

Running Man by Stephen King
Bleachers by John Grisham
Local newspaper

Second Semester

Lost Boy, Lost Girl by Peter Straub
Mystic Island by Dennis Lehane
Local newspaper

Women in Literature

House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros
Fried Green Tomatoes by Fannie Flagg