

John Marshall High School, Mr. Luce English IV AP/DC Summer Reading

Welcome to AP Literature!

Reading is one of the best things you can do to prepare yourself for the challenges of the upcoming school year and beyond. Now more than ever, it is important to sharpen your critical reading skills, expand your vocabulary and enhance your focus and imagination - all in the comfort of your own home. There's no better way to accomplish this than by sitting down with a good book.

We are asking that you, as an AP Literature student, read at least one novel of **your choice** this summer. Come prepared the first week of school to talk about your book and to do some work with it.

The novels marked by an asterisk indicate those which are on the Northside approved book list. Other titles may contain adult themes and content, so we encourage you to do some research before selecting a title.

You can check out digital books on Sora, Libby, and Overdrive through your school library.

Happy reading!

Reading Choice List (Assignment is Below)

Family Drama

- 1. East of Eden by John Steinbeck
- 2. The God of Small Things by Arundhati Roy
- 3. The House of Spirits by Isabel Allende
- 4. The Joy Luck Club* by Amy Tan
- 5. Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng
- 6. The Memory Keeper's Daughter by Kim Edwards
- 7. A Tree Grows in Brooklyn by Betty Smith
- 8. Sing, Unburied, Sing by Jesmyn Ward
- 9. We the Animals by Justin Torres

Coming of Age

- 1. Dig by A.S. King
- 1. Everyone Knows You Go Home by Natalia Sylvester
- 2. Fruit of the Drunken Tree by Ingrid Rojas Contreras
- 3. The House of Broken Angels by Luis Alberto Urrea
- 4. The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini
- 5. Patron Saints of Nothing by Randy Ribay
- 6. Purple Hibiscus by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie
- 7. The Serpent King by Jeff Zentner

^{*} Indicates vetted, approved titles from the NISD English I-IV Approved Reading List